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## TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

### U. S. NOTES TO BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

### GERMANY WARNED AGAINST ATTACKING MERCHANT VESSELS.

### American Cargo Seized by British Authorities.

### FOODSTUFFS DESTINED TO GERMANY.

[Router's Service to The "Telegraph."]

### Britain Seizes American Cargo.

Feb. 11, 3.35 p.m.  
The British authorities have seized the cargo of foodstuffs on the American steamer *Wilhelmina*, which has arrived at Falmouth. The cargo was consigned to an American subject in Hamburg. The seizure is justified by the German Government's appropriation and distribution of foodstuffs, as the cargo would otherwise have been passed as destined to the civilian population.

### U. S. Notes to Britain and Germany.

Feb. 11, 3.35 p.m.  
Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that the Government has sent Notes to Britain and Germany. Both are friendly in tone.

The former makes observations regarding the use of neutral flags, pointing out that frequent use might endanger neutral vessels.

### A Warning.

The Note to Germany makes it clear that any attack on a vessel flying the American flag without its being definitely ascertained that the use of the flag is fictitious will be viewed as a grave matter and will result in serious complications.

### The Indian Situation.

The following telegram has been received by the General Officer Commanding in Hongkong:—

Delhi, Feb. 11, 8.41 p.m.

Situation in India continues to be generally satisfactory. Frontier remains quiet.

Chief General Staff, Delhi.

### French Reports.

(Official Telegram from French Government, via Peking.)

Feb. 11.

On the 9th, there was only artillery fighting on the Aisne and in Champagne, which was distinctly fierce. The French blew up a German trench at Fay, south-east of Peronne.

(Havas Telegrams.)

Feb. 10, 8.15 p.m.

French Government Stock now stands at Fr. 71.50.  
On the 9th, fierce artillery fighting prevailed at several points on the front, notably on the Aisne and in Champagne.  
An unimportant infantry action took place in Lorraine, north-east of Manonville, where we repulsed attacks by the enemy.

## TO-DAY'S WAR TELEGRAMS.

A Petrograd message says that on the opening of the Duma, M. Sazanoff, the Foreign Minister, was continually cheered. He spoke of the unity between the Powers of the Triple Entente and declared that Russia was sure of final victory.  
Speakers of every party affirmed that the Allies must crush Germany before signing peace, which must not be concluded separately.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

### The Ways of a Rebel.

Feb. 10, 3.25 p.m.  
The *Pretoria News*, which has announced that the Germans have shot the rebel leader Maritz for treachery, now adds that Maritz had asked officers of the Union forces whether his life would be spared if he surrendered. He was told that no conditions could be granted. Maritz left on the understanding that, besides surrendering himself, he would try and bring in the German artillery.  
The *Pretoria News* gives a new version of the fight at Kakamas. It says that Maritz was leading the Germans there when his treachery was discovered, and that the German artillery was only extricated with the greatest difficulty after severe loss.

### A Lull.

Feb. 10, 4.45 p.m.  
To-day's Paris communique says:—  
There have been only artillery engagements of some intensity and a small infantry affair to the north-east of Manonville. Our outposts drove back the enemy's posts from Remaumont.

### Austrian Depression.

Feb. 10, 7.20 p.m.  
A message from Amsterdam states that a pessimistic Austrian communique says that deep snow in the Carpathians greatly impedes marching and fighting.  
The statement admits that the Russians are strongly pressing against the Dukla Pass, and that the remainder of the Russian front is so strongly fortified that the Austrian operations are rendered slow.  
The communique concludes:—"Heavy fighting and bitter difficulties are experienced. We must be content to press the enemy back, step by step, and to repel his attempts to break through without weakening the remainder of our front."

### Britain's Great Army.

Feb. 10, 10 p.m.  
The House of Commons has unanimously adopted the Army Estimates for 3,000,000 men.

### Good Work by Russian Destroyers.

Feb. 11, 5.30 a.m.  
An official statement issued at Petrograd states that Russian destroyers in the Black Sea bombarded three batteries at Trebizond (Asia Minor), destroyed three bridges at Platana and sank fifty sailing ships.

### Russia's Daily War Bill.

Feb. 11, 5.37 a.m.  
A Petrograd telegram states that the Duma and Council of Empire have voted the Budget.  
In the course of the debate, it was stated that the war was costing Russia \$1,400,000 sterling daily. It was also stated that Russian trade is operating practically unchanged.

(Official Telegram from the British Foreign Office.)

### The Sinking of British Merchantmen.

The Admiralty has published reports of masters of the British ships *Ikorra* and *Toko Maru*, which were torpedoed by German submarines.

The *Ikorra* was on a voyage from Brazil to Havre and London when, on January 31, at a point to the north-west of Havre, the ship was struck by a torpedo and began to sink. The only warning was the sight of the torpedo trail when 30 feet from the ship. The ship was, however, towed into Havre.

The *Toko Maru* was on a voyage from New Zealand to Havre, and was also struck by a torpedo near Havre, entirely without warning. The Master sighted a periscope, thus establishing the cause of disaster. The ship sank immediately. The crew were saved by a French mine-sweeper.

The British ship *Orizole* has been missing since January 30. She was bound to Havre. There is grave reason to fear that she was also sunk by a German submarine with the loss of all hands, as life-buoys marked *Orizole* have been washed up at Bys, Sussex.

### LATE TELEGRAMS.

(From Ceylon Papers.)

### Wilson Liner Sinks.

The Wilson liner *Hydra* has foundered off the coast of Donegal owing to the shifting of the cargo in a storm. Two of the crew reached shore. A boat containing 18 men is missing.

### Premature Rejoicings.

Calcutta, January 24th.—With reference to the report that the Governor of Chanderagore has received a telegram announcing a general German repulse, the *Statesman* says that the telegram which gave rise to the report was despatched from Paris on Friday at 7 p.m. It was addressed, not to the Governor, but to the Procureur de la Republique at Chanderagore, and consisted of two code words, which, as agreed upon in August, were interpreted:—"Germans repulsed from French soil. Hoist flags." The officials at Chanderagore were satisfied with the authenticity of the telegram, but the official communique of a later date inicate that this rejoicing was premature.

### Roumania Preparing.

Lahore, Jan. 23rd.—A *Civil and Military Gazette* cablegram quotes the *Morning Post's* correspondent at Berne to the effect that Roumanian students at Swiss universities have been ordered by telegram to rejoin their regiments.

### Accident in the Suez Canal.

London, Jan. 20th.—The *Ophir* has gone ashore in the Suez Canal on her voyage to London from Brisbane.

### The War with Turkey.

A Cairo communique says that as the concentration of the Turkish Army south of Palestine progresses, the difficulties of an advance across Sinai are increasingly apparent. Only one route is possible and points where a force advancing can attack equally circumscribed. Lines of defence on the canal are designed according to the latest experience gained in Europe, and the Turks must advance over an open ground exposed to the fire of heavy guns of warships, rifles and machine guns.

### The Wheat Supply.

London, Jan. 20th.—The cessation of the prolonged rain in the Argentine, which up to the present has prevented movements in the wheat crop, together with huge shipments en route from Canada and America, has favourably influenced the markets and a fall of a shilling per quarter in the English markets was registered to-day. A further easement in the prices is expected.

### The Position of America.

Washington, Mr. Lodge, in the Senate, opposed the Ship Purchase Bill, stating that it would bring the United States within measurable distance of war not merely with England, but with France, Russia, and Japan. The purchase of the interned German vessels would relieve the owners of the heavy expense of upkeep, besides handing them about forty million dollars. Therefore, great assistance would be given to one of the belligerents which might be construed as a breach of neutrality. Referring to the case of the *Dacia*, Mr. Lodge added that it seemed a dangerous business to indulge in such test cases in a time of war.

### Novel War Implements.

An officer describing instruments of warfare says they have been using a wonderful pistol firing fire balls and lifting up the ground. We have got a new kind of bomb. One killed 30 Germans recently. It is reported that the Germans have got a land torpedo burrowing under the earth.

### Austrian Prince in Germany.

The mission of the Austrian heir-presumptive to Germany is exciting considerable speculation. It is believed in some quarters that he is seeking Germany's permission to conclude a separate peace, although in view of the pro-German sympathies of Baron Burian it is more probable that the object of the mission is to secure greater support from Germany, particularly in order to check the growing peace movement in Austria.

### Holland to Keep Army on Service.

London, Jan. 23. The Hague.—A Note to Parliament says that now, as in August, the entire military forces must be at the immediate disposition of the Government. It adds that Government naturally is in possession of information on this subject, of which the public has no knowledge, and it considers it contrary to the interests of the country to make any communication thereabout.

### Aeroplanes at War.

London, Jan. 23. Dunkirk.—An eye-witness says that the aerial battle here was most thrilling. German aeroplanes swooped on the town and dropped a record number of bombs. Repeated violent explosions were heard. Then there was a magnificent sight. The French and British aeroplanes appeared and a fierce fight ensued in which the Allies drove the Germans before them. There were few casualties owing to the inhabitants' calmness, experience teaching them to go to their cellars promptly. A single Taube reappeared in the afternoon and dropped one bomb, when it had to go at full speed to escape.

### Enemy Troops Transferred.

London, Jan. 24th, Rome.—It is understood that an exchange of Austrian and German troops is being arranged. A considerable number of Germans are to go to Hungary and Austrians are to be sent to Flanders.

### American Cotton Adventure.

Washington.—The War Risk Bureau, after consultation with the Treasury, has agreed to insure the cargo of cotton on the *Dacia*, but not the ship. It is understood that the State Department has not advised with the owners the responsibility of a decision. It is rumoured in New York that the *Dacia* has left Galveston for Norfolk, Virginia, keeping inside the three mile limit.

### The Recent Air Raid.

The air raid on the English Coast is regarded as a reconnaissance owing to the smallness of the bombs, which, nevertheless were most powerful. One unexploded bomb was found; it weighed nearly sixty pounds. There is the wildest delight in Germany, where the raid is described as only the beginning. The Kaiser congratulated Count Zeppelin as the "Commander of My Air Fleet."

### Invasion of Belgium—A Significant Poster.

New York, Dec. 29.—Mr. Courtrell, a Kentucky resident, who was in Belgium for 17 years, states that on visiting Liege immediately after the German occupation, he noticed German military posters, headed, in German, "The City of Liege," with the printed date, 1918, cancelled in blue pencil, and the date of 1914 substituted, proving that it was the Kaiser's long premeditated intention to invade Belgium.

### TELEGRAMS.

### NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

### CONDENSED.

The war is costing Russia \$1,400,000 daily.

In spite of the war, Russian trade is operating practically unchanged.

The U.S. Government has sent Notes to Britain and Germany regarding the use of neutral flags.

The House of Commons has unanimously adopted the Army Estimates providing for three million men.

The latest Austrian communique dealing with the fighting in the Carpathians is pessimistic in tone.

It is stated that the rebel Maritz intended to bring in the German artillery besides surrendering himself.

The Foreign Office has issued a statement regarding the torpedoing of British merchantmen by the Germans.

Russian destroyers in the Black Sea have bombarded batteries at Trebizond, destroyed three bridges and sunk 50 sailing ships.

It is reported that the treachery of the rebel Maritz was discovered when he was leading the Germans at Kakamas and that the German artillery was only extricated with the greatest difficulty.

### NEWS.

Further notes on the crisis appear on page 4.

A special article on foodstuffs as contraband appears elsewhere.

"Our Contemporaries" appears on page 2, commercial news on page 9 and log book on page 8.

General news and an article headed "Merry French Soldiers" appear on page 3.

Commander Nussmann's concluding lecture on the evolution of Germany is reported elsewhere.

### DON'T FORGET.

### TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
"The Grotesques," Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

### TO-MORROW.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

### Monday, February 15.

Italian Grand Opera Co.—Theatre Royal.

### Saturday, February 20.

Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation—City Hall—noon.

### Saturday, February 27.

Concert in aid of Allied Forces' Tobacco Fund—Theatre Royal—9 p.m.

### Thursday, March 5.

Hongkong Horticultural Society's Annual Show—Botanic Gardens.

### Friday, March 6.

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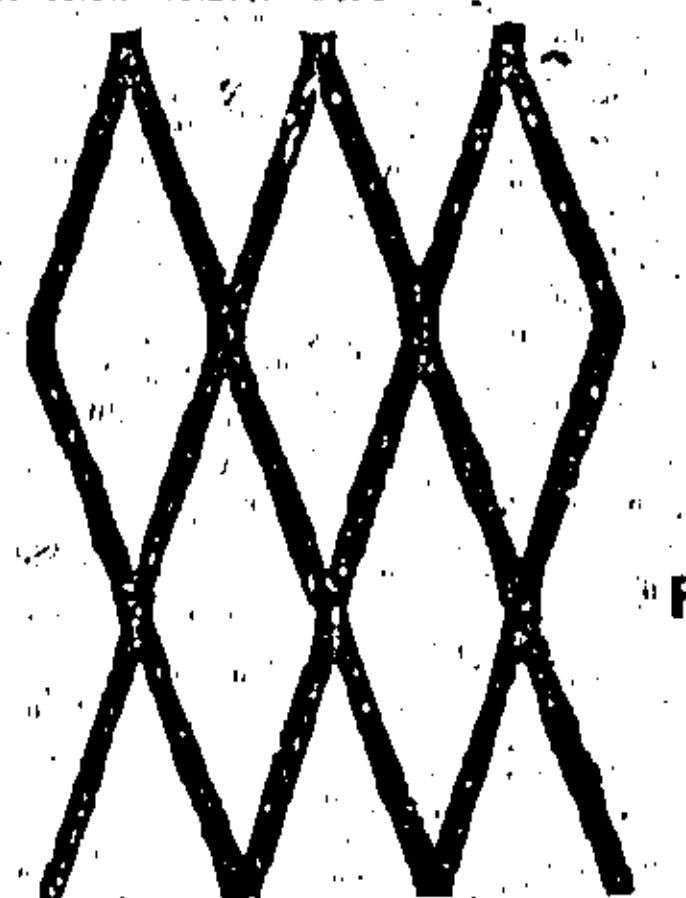


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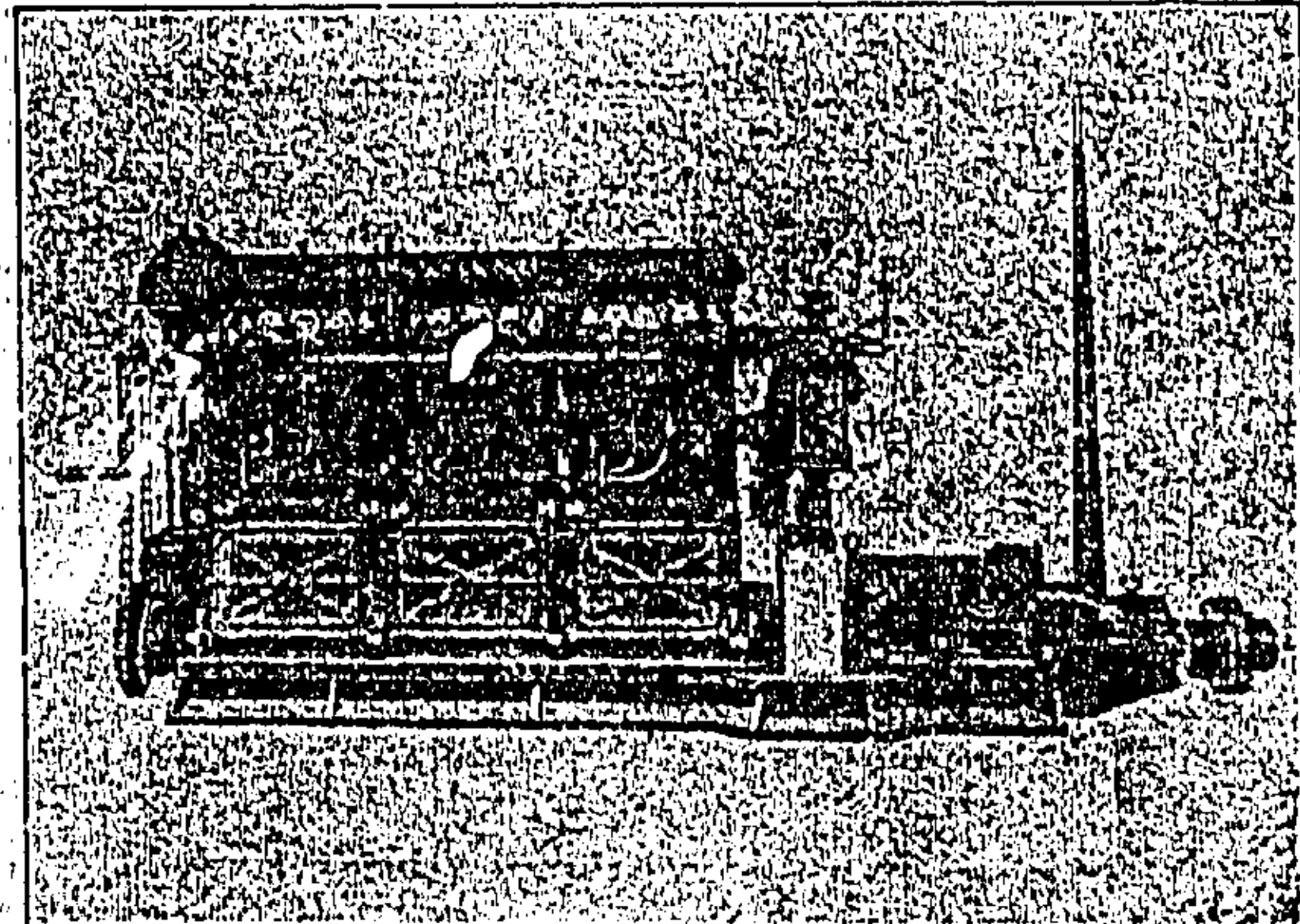
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British Air Service.  
The success achieved by the British aeroplane has been partly due to its French engine. Our Allies, in accordance with the policy of mutual help which has developed so enormously since the war began, have doubtless rendered every assistance in the output of British aeroplanes, but the War Office has not been content to remain idle. It is gratifying therefore to know that ere long an all-British aeroplane will be brought into service and that this machine will be a vast improvement on all other machines at the front is a certainty, otherwise there would be no object in introducing it. It will be extremely interesting to see how the unweildy Zeppelins fare when they set forth upon the mission for which they were presumably built. They have done practically nothing hitherto, and their absence of ever achieving anything, in view of developments in the British aeroplane industry, is slowly but surely slipping away.

Daily Press.

Sanitation in China.

It has to be said, however, that though Parliament has been indefinitely suspended and the Provincial Assemblies have been dissolved, the President still continues to pay lip service to the ideal of Parliamentary Government, and we may yet see progress made on the lines laid down in the late Empress Dowager's scheme of preparation for Parliamentary institutions. The establishment of Town or District Councils was a feature of that scheme, and as we have previously urged, if the President has any real desire that his country should in course of time attain to that stage of development of which parliamentary institutions are the natural end, so to speak, the automatic outcome, there could be no better instrument for the purpose than Town Councils dealing with a safe selection of local affairs. If a "sanitary conscience" lies latent in China, the creation of Town Councils for the express purpose of carrying out a public health policy would doubtless awaken that conscience with beneficial results to the nation in the prevention of the terrible epidemic diseases which now exact so heavy a toll of lives each year in almost every town in China. We doubt if any appreciable progress will ever be made in the improvement of the sanitation of Chinese cities until the public conscience is aroused and educated through some form of municipal self government.

China Mail.

Superiority of British Aircraft.

From another quarter we learn that the reports as to the performance of the aircraft and more particularly the aeroplanes, of the different belligerent armies are at present very meagre and incomplete. However, it would appear from the observations of those best qualified to judge that the British machines are by no means backward, and in many important respects are superior both to those of the enemy and to those of our Allies. The main features in which we at present possess ascendancy are more especially those in which the flying capacity of the machine, rather than its more essentially fighting quality, is concerned. Thus superiority may be claimed for the British aeroplanes: firstly, as being better aerodynamically, that is to say, for given horsepower and weight they possess a greater speed and climbing power; secondly, they are more stable, in fact, our present-day machines are definitely automatically or inherently stable; thirdly, they have a higher factor of safety than any of their Continental rivals and are far more robust as to lighting gear; and, fourthly, they are more weatherproof.

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## GENERAL NEWS.

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Football During War—Tommy's Opinion.

An interesting sidelight is thrown on the question whether football should be continued during the present crisis by a letter sent to a football official in Blackburn by Mr. H. Haworth, a local referee called up as a reservist. He was sent a referee's shirt, which he was greatly interested in while in the trenches. He writes:—"You would be surprised how Tommy takes an interest in football, although he is an the trenches. I think if the F.A. had decided to abandon the remaining matches, it would have been a great disappointment to all out here. It lives them up to get the results and to hear the jokes as to which team is best."

The Semenyih Raid.  
Kuala Lumpur, Feb. 2.—Mr. Justice Innes to-day sentenced to death four Chinese participants in the raid at Semenyih on Nov. 26th. Another was given a two years' sentence for receiving property. The judge characterized it as an atrocious crime.—Singapore Free Press.

Ship Purchase Bill.  
Washington, February 4.—It looks now as though it is impossible for the Ship Purchase Bill to pass in the Senate. Mr. Hitchcock, Chairman of the Philippines committee, is standing by with the Jones bill and is watching for the first opportunity to call it up for action.

Ipo's Easter Gymkhana.  
Ipoh, February 2.—The gymkhana committee has decided to hold races on April 3 and 5, Easter Sunday and Monday, in consequence of the success which attended the autumn meeting.

Suggested U. S. Mission to the Vatican.  
Rome, Jan. 6.—The Archbishop of New York, Baltimore, and Boston have approached President Wilson to send a special mission to the Vatican, similar to that sent by Britain.

Assistance to Australian Settlers.  
Among the legislative measures designed to assist settlers in South Australia to overcome the pioneering difficulties associated with the taking up of virgin country, and also to develop their holdings, is the Act under which they can obtain advances for the purpose of effecting improvement on their land, the purchase of stock, and the payment of existing mortgages. The Act also applies to holders of repurchased and irrigation lands, the duty of considering applications for loans being entrusted to the Advances to Settlers Board.

Well-Known Railway Official's Death.

The death has occurred, at the age of seventy, of Sir Frederick Harrison, Deputy-Chairman of the South Eastern Railway and a director of the London and North-Western Railway. He entered the service of the London and North-Western Railway in 1864 at the age of twenty as a junior clerk at Shrewsbury, and after holding appointments at Liverpool and Chester was transferred to Eastern as assistant superintendent of the line.

On the death of Sir George Findlay in 1893 he became general manager, and for fifteen years controlled the vast undertaking. He was knighted in 1902.

The Imperial Conference.

The Times of Jan. 18 publishes an editorial article headed "Consult the Dominions," in which the paper urges convocation of the Imperial Conference in 1915. It says that the Conference would be of immense benefit to Imperial unity and the opportunity should be taken of co-ordinating what has been done in each widely separated centre in connection with the war. A few days of personal intercourse between the men responsible would do more than reams of letters and floods of telegrams.

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Excuses for the Scarborough Raid.

Germans newspapers published about the middle of December contain some suggestive items as to the state of the public mind, particularly in reference to the raid on the coast of England. The majority of the writers are unanimously of opinion that the raid constituted one of the most important successes obtained by Germany, and paper proudly affirming that "the impossible has been accomplished."

As to reproaches cast upon Germany by the newspapers of neutral countries for having bombarded unfortified towns, German publicists take refuge in the assertion that in war everything is permitted. Even the *Hamburger Nachrichten*, formerly Bismarck's paper, which until recently has been notably conspicuous in attempts to be just in its judgments, says that we must expect to see departures from the ordinary principles of international law in this war, because it is a war for the existence of Germany.

It must never be forgotten, says this journal, that it is the duty of all to do as much damage to the enemy as possible, even to non-combatants among the enemy.

In a similar vein, most of the newspapers counsel the German people of all classes and in all positions to use every means at their command for fighting the enemy. Those who cannot fight must lose no opportunity of discrediting and casting suspicion upon what may be said or done by the enemy. They must carry the war into the realms of social intercourse, and produce strife and discord if any advantage for their country is to be gained therefrom; for this is not war in the ordinary sense, but, again, a struggle for national existence.

German professors continue to publish opinions and advice. In one of his lectures, Professor Werner Zombart discussed the question, "Why we are at war," and in the course of his speech he observed that the most notable characteristic of the German people in these days was its idealisation of war—which was frankly to be admitted.

"We find in war," said the professor, "the elements of the highest degree of culture." He went on to show how Germany was unique in this conception of national well-being and progress, contrasting unfavourably the motives inspiring Great Britain, France and Russia, who were at war only for the purpose of achieving such concrete aims as the acquisition of new territory and the extension of commerce. On the contrary, Germany is inspired by no such utilitarian aims. Germany is fighting because she has reached a wonderful moment in her history, and it is essential that she should use every means, technical, material, and moral to overcome her enemies, without taking into account the material cost to herself.

Such a spirit of idealism is absolutely unknown to the British.

SOISSONS BATTLE.

Terrible Execution.

Amsterdam, January 18.—A German account of the battle of Soissons states that General von Loebow was commander, and that prior to the combat the opposing trenches were near each other on the top of a wooded height overlooking Origny; also they were entrenched in the quarries forming the western spur of the Vregny Plateau.

The French artillery was well posted on the edge of the plateau. Officers, sitting in trees behind armoured plates, directed the French fire. The worst execution took place on Christmas Day.

Some of the German machine guns were buried by the bombardment of the trenches on January 7, and the French then charged and occupied the trenches. Heavy fighting followed—men against men—day and night, until the 11th. The French fought bravely with rifle, bayonet, and knife.

The Germans, on the 12th, in-ent of attacking the wooded heights, stormed the observation posts. The French fire immediately slackened, and trenches were captured. The French occupied fresh positions half-way down, and apparently expected further attacks from the German right.

The French brought strong reinforcements by rail and motor cars. The Germans, on the 13th, however, attacked Vregny, completely surprising the enemy. The attack commenced at noon, and the first line of trenches was taken in three minutes, and the next ten minutes later. The whole plateau was captured late in the afternoon. The position of the French advancing against the German right was then desperate. The French surrendered on the 14th. Finally, the French were driven back from two to four kilometres upon a front of fifteen kilometres.

The Kaiser, on the battlefield, decorated General von Loebow with the Order of Merit.

isher," said the professor, the "Britisher," being merely a "hookster." Maximilian Harden, the journalist, has given a lecture on militarism and its significance, in the course of his speech saying that the reason why all Europe is against Germany will be found in an absolute incapacity to understand the real spirit of militarism. Other nations envy the military spirit of Germany because they themselves are devoid of it. This envy in itself constitutes a victory for Germany, who is destined to crush the British and French bourgeois and establish a new order of things on the principle of "the battle to the strong."

In the *Deutscher Juristisches Zeitung*, Professor Lange discusses at length the right of German soldiers to acquire all metals which come into their hands in the field of operations, and he utters a warning that the time may come when Germany will have need of such supplies for a manufacture of materials of war.

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## The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1915.

### THE SANITARY QUESTION.

There are so many points of importance in connection with the plea for the adoption of the water carriage system of sanitation in Hongkong that no apology is needed for reverting to the matter. Whatever else may be said, there can, among right-thinking people, be no two opinions about it that Hongkong's present method of sewage disposal is not merely antiquated and inconvenient—it is also objectionable and dangerous, to the point of menacing the health of the Colony. With that much admitted, it becomes the prime business of the authorities thoroughly to investigate the question and to seek some remedy for a state of affairs which is no credit to those whose charge it is to safeguard the health of the community. So far, we have been given no evidence that this initial obligation has been discharged. The fringe, and only the fringe, of the matter has been touched by the Select Committee recently appointed. Neither the practical side nor the financial aspect have been delved into as they should be.

It is, of course, no use ignoring the physical difficulties which arise from the fact that a big proportion of the population of the Colony lives on levels no higher than the sea-front, and, in some instances, even lower still. The outfall question is a serious one, we admit, but there are other methods of treating sewage than that of discharging it into the harbour, and it is for the authorities to make some definite pronouncement as to the best means of grappling with the problem in a place with such peculiar geographical features as Hongkong possesses. Coming to the financial aspect of the question, we do not see that the difficulties are by any means insuperable. We are told that if the water carriage system were applied to the whole Colony the loss in revenue would be some \$62,000 per annum. This, on the basis of 50,000 households for the whole Colony, (the figure mentioned by the Director of Public Works at Tuesday's meeting of the Sanitary Board) means that something considerably less than a dollar and a quarter per household per annum finds its way into the Government coffers. When, therefore, we reflect that, on the admission of the Director of Public Works, some households are paying as much as \$24 to \$36 per annum for the removal of night-soil, it will quickly be seen how large a profit goes into somebody else's pocket and how expensive to the public the present antiquated and filthy system is. Be that as it may, the loss of \$62,000 which would be caused by sweeping away the present system could be covered five times over if, on the adoption of the water carriage system, the Government were to impose a nominal tax of 50 cents per household. One year's revenue—\$300,000—would not, of course, meet the expense incurred by the authorities, but, inasmuch as the tax would be perpetual, it would soon do so and from thence onward a big yearly profit would flow in.

If the modern system were adopted, there would eventually be many directions in which savings could be effected. For example, the inspection and disinfection duties of the Sanitary Department would be materially curtailed, and soon in time the staff could very well be reduced. Later on, the beneficial effects of the new system would be revealed in the improved health of the people. It will therefore be seen that there are many reasons why this important question should receive serious attention and not be brushed lightly aside as some of the Colony's officials deem it should be. It is a very big question, we agree. That is all the more reason why it should and must be closely investigated before any decision is come to.

#### The Sultan of Egypt

and Tolerance.

As we stated yesterday, the new ruler of Egypt, Prince Hussein, has made a public statement to the effect that his efforts will be consecrated to the welfare of his people in general, without distinction as to religions. This is an excellent beginning, and worthy of the best and highest traditions of Islam. Mohammedanism has too often been represented to Britishers as synonymous with the bitterest and most ignorant intolerance; but historical students must be well aware that this view is not, in general, confirmed by facts. Of course the Mohammedans have had their fanatics, and their mad preachers—who stirred up strife, not on account of their devotion to their own Faith so much as by reason of their hatred of other religious bodies. But Britain also had its John Knox, Switzerland its Calvin, and so on; wherefore it hardly seems to become Europeans to question the broadmindedness of Oriental. Most people in Hongkong have met with educated Mohammedans; those who have, will probably support us in the statement that there is certainly no more intolerance among these gentlemen than is to be found among Christians of the same social and educational standing.

#### Wanted, a St. Patrick's Society.

Reading, in the Northern papers, the highly satisfactory report of the Shanghai St. Patrick's Society, reminds us that Hongkong is still without such an organisation. Attempts have been made, in the past, to set one going, but—Hongkong being Hongkong—these died a natural death. The St. Andrew's Society here has done a great work, and, though the number of Scots in the Colony is considerably larger than the number of Irishmen, there are many persons in all walks of life here who either hail from Ireland or are of Hibernian extraction, and it is a thousand pities that these should not band together for mutual help as the Scots have done. Conditions at the present moment for starting such a society are, of course, unfavorable; but when Hongkong becomes normal again we earnestly hope that a few influential people will come forward and have another try at giving St. Andrew a friendly rival in the Colony.

#### A Traitor's Death.

History surely offers no better example of a traitor's meeting with the death he deserves than the case of Maritz. He had schemed and lied and betrayed, in his quest to make profit out of the Empire's troubles; and a dog's death was his reward. In fairness to such whole-hearted loyalists as General Botha and his followers, the less said about Maritz in future, the better. It is idle to seek to make excuses for him, and just as idle to abuse him now that it has been put out of his power to work further mischief. Let dead dogs be buried, says the Chinese proverb; and it is to be hoped that this man's name will be blotted out of South African history, and that men will forget, in their genuine admiration for the bulk of his fellow-countrymen, that such a being ever existed. So much that is noble has been called forth by the present war, so many thousands of instances of conspicuous bravery or of self-sacrificing loyalty to our great Empire can be cited, that posterity will have plenty by which to remember the years 1914 and 1915 without referring to what can only leave a nasty taste in the month. One traitor strengthened, not weakened, the cause of Christianity, and one Maritz should only serve to throw into ever stronger relief the passionate loyalty to Throne and Empire that marks the other subjects of King George.

#### DAY BY DAY.

"THIS IS A WORLD OF COMPENSATIONS: AND HE WHO WOULD BE NO SLAVE MUST CONSENT TO HAVE NO SLAVE. THOSE WHO DENY FREEDOM TO OTHERS DESERVE IT NOT FOR THEMSELVES. AND, UNDER A JUST GOD, DO NOT LONG RETAIN IT."—Abraham Lincoln.

#### The Weather.

Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 59; dull.  
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 50; fog.

#### Count the Columns.

Yesterday the *Telegraph* published 32 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 33 published.

#### The Mails.

English Mail.—Due per s.s. Malta to-day.  
English Mail.—Closed per s.s. Oriental at 11 a.m. to-day.

#### The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1s 9.3-16d.

#### Lincoln's Birthday.

To-day is the anniversary of the late President Lincoln's birthday.

#### Mr. A. G. Stephen.

Mr. A. G. Stephen arrived by the Oriental from Shanghai to-day.

#### K. C. C. Dinner.

The Kowloon Cricket Club's annual dinner takes place at the Hongkong Hotel at 8 p.m. to-morrow.

#### On Leave.

Inspectors Terret and Kent left to-day for home of the s.s. Oriental. They will be on leave until November.

#### Lawyer Plaintiff.

In the Summary Court, this morning, the case was mentioned in which G. K. Hall Branton sues Lau Ngai-po for the sum of \$200.

#### Obstruction.

At the Police Court, this morning, the Pacific Mail Steamship Company were fined \$10, for causing an obstruction on the Piers.

#### Leaving the Colony.

Mr. H. Shires, of the Naval Yard, and Mrs. Shires, are leaving for home by the Oriental. Mr. Shires has been appointed Assistant Civil Engineer by the Admiralty.

#### Special Police Reserve.

All gentlemen who have applied to join the Special Police Reserve are requested to attend at the Magistracy on Friday, February 12th, between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. for the purpose of being sworn in.

#### Jockeys Arrive.

The following riders have arrived in the Colony for the annual races:—Mr. Brand, by the s.s. Chanam; Mr. Ezra, by the s.s. Oriental; and Messrs. C. H. Burkill, J. Johnstone, and F. R. Vida, by the s.s. Kamo Maru.

#### Dinner and Dance.

On the first day of the Races, the 22nd inst., a Ciderella dance will be held at the Hongkong Hotel for residents and diners. Special menus will be served both in the dining and grill rooms, and the band of the 74th Punjab will be in attendance.

#### The Chinese Theatrical.

The Committee of the Queen's College Chinese Amateur Drama Company has handed over a sum of \$10/9.12 to the Honorary Treasurer of the Prince of Wales' Fund, being the proceeds of the recent theatrical performance at Queen's College on February 4th, 5th and 6th. All who assisted are cordially thanked.

#### NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

##### THE TURNING TIDE.

Germany and Austria Realising the Truth.

Recent indications have been making it abundantly evident that the balance is slowly tipping in favour of the Allies in both theatres of war. The great tide of effort is on the turn; soon the ebb will be evident. Both east and west, the first signs of the turn are showing. The Russians, who are not deterred in their efforts by the hardness of winter, have now got a firm grip of their dual enemies, while in the west the growing strength and increased insistencies of the Allies are causing a crumbling along the whole front. It is not as yet marked, we admit, but the signs are apparent to those who care to see. Everybody is now awaiting the great result which is sure to accrue when the Allies throw their whole strength into the balance. And we look to that time with the utmost confidence.

##### On the Defensive.

The Kaiser's armies, it is true, are still capable of spasmodic effort, but they surely gain no advantage from throwing themselves at their foes in merely local attacks which are always met with grim retaliation. The Germans, and the Austrians too for that matter, are now essentially on the defensive. In other words, the first phase of the great war is over. The second phase will be the realisation by both the German and the Austrian peoples of the hopelessness of their position. There may be some last great effort by the war parties of each nation to save the situation and retrieve their battered prestige, and that effort may come just at the time for which the Allies have planned their big move. But whatever comes, we can have every assurance that the Allies will be more than prepared for it.

##### Why Austria is Dejected.

We spoke just now of the second phase—the realisation of the hopelessness of the struggle. Judging from the telegrams of the past two days, we have already reached it. There are the mutterings of dissatisfaction and dejection in Prussia, while a gloomy view is taken by the Austrian Headquarters. It was stated very many weeks ago that Austria's leading commercial and financial men desired peace and that her politicians were much of a like way of thinking. That is not surprising. They have seen the armies of the Prussian Monarchy humbled by Russia and Serbia, and now the military faction is becoming disheartened. We can understand that too. The past has shown that the Austrian armies cannot keep back present foes. What, therefore, are the prospects of holding their own when in front of them looms the fresh menace to be found in the possibility of several new armies, representing Balkan nations, appearing in the field.

##### No Help From Germany.

Austria must know that if Rumania and Greece—to name only two—should join in, she will be the sufferer. Germany could not possibly raise a finger to help her, and nothing could stay a terrible invasion of her territories. Look where she will, Austria can find no way out of the situation. Ere this she must be on the day when she took the fatal step which threw the whole of Europe into a war which must spell her own doom as well as that of those who have ranged themselves on her side.

##### Str. Richard Dene In Tonkin.

The *Courier d'Indochine* reports that Mr. Jardin, in the company of Sir Richard Dene, killed an elephant and a wild bull in the district of Ha-tinh (Tonkin). After the elephant had been shot a hard came up and charged the hunters, who had to run for shelter. The next day they were able to return with coolies and approach the case.

#### FOODSTUFFS AS CONTRABAND.

Some Comments on Britain's Decision.

##### (SPECIAL ARTICLE.)

It appears that Great Britain has now declared grain and foodstuffs destined for Germany to be absolute contraband of war, and has expressed an intention of seizing all grain shipped from America to Germany.

This is a very important departure from the principles of International Law announced both by English and foreign writers on the subject within the last half century. And it is, moreover, apparently opposed to the provisions of the recent Declaration of London, Art. 24 of which provides that foodstuffs, amongst other articles, shall be regarded as conditional contraband only, and Art. 33 of which provides that conditional contraband "is liable to capture if it is shown to be destined for the use of the armed forces or of a government department of the enemy State." It is not, however, expressly provided by the Declaration that conditional contraband shall not be liable to capture unless so destined; and, although this may perhaps have been inferred, the wording of the first part of Art. 24, "The following articles, susceptible for use in war as for purposes of peace may, without notice (de plein droit), be treated as contraband of war, under the name of conditional contraband," seems to show that, if due notice to that effect be given, such articles may be afterwards treated as absolute contraband, and therefore be liable to seizure whether or not destined for the use of the armed forces of the enemy. If this be the correct construction of Art. 24, then the fact that England has proclaimed foodstuffs destined for Germany to be absolute contraband is not a contravention of the provisions of the Declaration of London.

But, apart from any question as to whether or not the present proclamation of Great Britain contravenes the provisions of the Declaration of London, it must be remembered that this Declaration has never been ratified by the Powers; and, although Great Britain has expressed herself ready to act in accordance with it to a large extent, Germany has not done so, and neither country is therefore, by International Law, bound by its provisions as regards the other of them.

In 1793, during the war with France, it was insisted upon by England that all foodstuffs destined for France might properly be deemed to be absolute contraband because the fact of depriving the inhabitants of that country of food supplies was one means of reducing the enemy to reasonable terms of peace; and that this method of distressing the population was then particularly fair by reason of the fact that France had armed the whole of the labouring class of her people. Nevertheless it was for a very long time afterwards regarded in England that this doctrine of a right to endeavour to reduce the enemy by famine was untenable, so much so that when, in 1855, France herself, during her hostilities with China, declared rice, shipped to the Northern parts of China, to be absolute contraband, England protested that this was contrary to the law of nations. And, again, she similarly protested when, during the recent war between Russia and Japan, the former declared rice shipped to Japan to be absolute contraband.

But the fact has evidently been realised that, in former times, the means of transit from one part of the country to another were not as they are now. In olden days it would have taken a week to convey goods from a seaport to a distant town which, at the present time, may be conveyed thither in a few hours. Consequently it is impossible to say that goods consigned to an unfortified place in the enemy country will not, immediately after arrival, be forwarded to the armed forces of the enemy, and be used, not by the civilian population, but by those forces, with the result of prolonging the war. The conditions now existing in the present

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The "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited, has issued the following letter to shareholders:—

The Directors have the pleasure to announce to the shareholders that although, as usual, the accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1914, cannot be completed before July, 1915, they have every reason to believe that, notwithstanding the war having reduced the trade of the Company in some directions, it has not affected it to such an extent as to cause them to anticipate the final earnings for 1914 will be less than for the previous year.

The fact that the Company's business is spread all over the world, and that a considerable portion is conducted in places outside the war zone, gives feeling of security for the future.

The satisfactory results of the very severe test which the business has stood, especially during the first months of the war, has proved that it is established on extremely sound lines.

#### JUDGE ON DISCOVERY.

The Ancient Practice of the Hongkong Courts.

In the Summary Court, this morning, Mr. Justice Gompertz, addressing the members of the legal profession, said an application had been made to him—at least a representation had been made to him—on the subject of discovery. It was suggested that it should be on oath in every case in the Summary Court, but he had looked into the matter and not for years—within legal memory, certainly twenty years—in the Summary Court, there had never been discovery on oath except, possibly, in very exceptionally special cases. He thought, therefore, he would be doing right if he followed his own leanings, giving informal discovery in the usual way and, as had been done for twenty years, subject to the provision that had always applied, that those wishing discovery on oath could apply in Chambers. It did not follow they would get it, and it did not follow they would not. Most of the cases were trifling, and it would not make any difference. Otherwise it was the ancient practice in that Court.

war are very different from those which existed when Great Britain, disapproved of a declaration by a belligerent that foodstuffs be deemed absolute contraband.

Moreover, if any means can be devised for bringing this war to a speedy close, short of the perpetration of utterly inhuman acts, the lives of many thousands of persons, both British and German, may properly be saved by using such means. It may therefore well be that, even though the seizure of food supplies destined partly for the use of the civilian population of Germany causes much distress to the innocent, this will have the result of ultimately benefiting them in addition to the Allies.

There is a vast difference between such acts of wanton cruelty and brutality as have been reported to have been committed by Germans, and an endeavour to starve their country into submission. The one, although it may be meant, by inspiring terror, to have a similar ultimate effect, has the same relation to the other as the physical torture of a person, for the purpose of influencing others to do good, bears to the temporary imprisonment of a man for that purpose, or as the murder of one prisoner of war bears to another's detention.



## THE EVOLUTION OF GERMANY.

Her Ideas Contrasted with those of England.

Last evening, Commander Summann, R.N., delivered the third and last of his series of lectures on the evolution of Germany, to a large audience, his remarks being followed with the keenest attention.

After reviewing the history of the Germans up to 1871, the speaker remarked that, in the forty years since the alliance with Austria, Germany had sprung to be one of the greatest nations on the earth. Art, commerce, science, philosophy—in all these she had taken the lead, and her new philosophy was the direct heir of those which achieved her national ideal, as it was also the product of the events which led up to that consummation. Frederick Nietzsche revised the philosophy of Schopenhauer, proclaiming that "the thing in itself"—the basic principle of all things—was not the "will to live" but the "will to power." For him, as with Schopenhauer, man was the highest manifestation of will, and should be higher still when he shall have learned to find himself. For this there must be an entire reconsideration of all moral values. Altruism, sacrifice, love for others, all these principles had only succeeded in producing mediocre men. The high men, those in whom "will to power" was most strongly developed, had hitherto been kept down because they had been taught that they must give way to the general good—the good of the weak, the ordinary. That is, really—it is the weak who should be sacrificed, in order that a stronger breed of men should be produced. Our moral values had been devised in order that we might secure a quiet life, have a good time, knowing that our neighbor loves us and wishes us well. According to Nietzsche, the high man could only be produced under the influence of pain and stress, of toil and tribulation and of discipline, keeping him continually on the alert, knowing that he would be overthrown if, for a moment, he relaxed his vigilance. Thus it was that they were always finding that long spells of civilization almost invariably brought with them corruption or rendered the nation a mass of mediocre beings, like the Chinese for instance. Sin and vice were only effects, not causes; effects of the low nature of the man who evinced them. Such men must be left to the natural consequences of their acts and either become slaves or disappear.

To England seemed truly to have been given the destiny of upholding the opposite creed. It is not merely England that stands in the way of Germany's material aims. It is true that a new power which desires to rule the world will find England the enemy, because England possesses so much of the world. What does England stand for now? Germany, with some justification, calls her material and thinks that her end is purely material and that as such she is bound to go down before the spiritual ideal of the Netherlands. We believe that it is not so; we believe that we are just as desirous of the evolution of a high type of man as Germany, but it is undoubtedly true that, as a nation, we show little appreciation of the value of culture. Perhaps this war may do something to draw a tention to its real value, and then its preposition may be undertaken in the spirit of British tolerance, sympathy and fair play, through moral force—the force of good example.

The speaker concluded:—I have described how Germany became a nation. Can we regret it even now? I do not think we can; certainly not if we are of those who realize what she has done for good. Germany has given much to the world. There must be a greater part for her to play still. We must hope that she will play it, not always as an enemy of England; but that we cannot be friends whilst her creed takes its present form, none of us may doubt.

## THE POPE AND THE WAR.

A Plea for Peace.

We have received a copy of the first Encyclical of Pope Benedict XV., which has been printed by the St. Lewis Industrial School, Hongkong. The booklet contains a photograph of His Holiness, and the Encyclical is preceded by an introduction by the Right Rev. Bishop Pozzoni.

Much of the Papal message concerns the war. "The dread image of war," says His Holiness, "overshadows the world and absorbs nearly every thought. The longest and wealthiest nations are in conflict. What wonder, then, that, furnished as they are with the latest weapons devised by military science, their struggle is causing enormous slaughter. There is no end to the ruin, no end to the deaths; every day sees the earth flowing with fresh blood, and covered with dead and wounded. Who would think that the nations, thus armed against each other, are all descended from one ancestor, share the same nature, belong to the same human family? Who could realize that they are brethren, children of the same Father in Heaven? And while the mighty hosts are contending in the fury of combat, cities, families, individuals, are being oppressed by those evils and miseries which follow at the heels of war; day by day the numbers increase of widows and orphans; the paths of commerce are blocked; the fields are left untilled; the arts are at a standstill; the rich are made poor; the poor still made poorer; all are made to mourn. Therefore we earnestly beseech Princes and Rulers that, moved by the sight of some many tears, so much blood already shed, they delay not to bring back to their peoples the life-giving blessings of peace."

## HONGKONG FOOTBALL CHALLENGE SHIELD.

The Navy v. R.G.A.

The meeting of the R.G.A. and the Navy to-morrow in the contest for the right of entry into the semi-final round of the Challenge Shield Competition will be one of the most interesting this season. Both teams have selected strong and representative eleven, and the play should be of high order. The game will be played on the ground of the Hongkong Club, the kick-off being timed for 4 o'clock.

Mr. F. W. Eager will referee, and the teams selected are:—

The Navy:—R. Card; T. A. Mason and G. W. Penmore; H. Baid, E. Martin, and N. Rowbotham; R. W. Hopper, P. S. Palmer, F. Godfrey, G. D. Daniels, and P. Y. Batterham. Reserves:—R. Ashby and H. J. Nobbs. R.G.A.:—Moure; McCubbin and Cople; Peacock, Lovelock, and Townsend; Draper, Shakespeare, Watson, Swan, and Harper. Reserve, Pallant.

These are questions which are being fully discussed on all sides. It was my object merely to lead up to those discussions and not to take part in them, and my task is therefore finished.

His Excellency Major General Kelly, in voicing the thanks of those present, said it was very important for them to know the characteristics of the people they were fighting. They were a nation that would take a lot of beating, but we believed they were going to be beaten. We had set our teeth, and started well, and he was sure we should go through with what we had started.

## PROBABLE LENGTH OF THE WAR.

Sir Alfred Turner's Opinion.

London, January 1. Major General Sir Alfred Turner, in conversation with a London representative of the *Manchester Guardian*, to-day, expressed the following views on the situation of the war and the prospects for the coming months:

"The general situation appears to be a temporary checkmate on land in the west, the Germans having the advantage of being in possession of a portion of the Allies' country. By sea, of course, the Allied fleets have entirely the upper hand, and in that sense are strangling Germany. In the east, the Russians, by all accounts except the German, are not only holding their own but are gradually forcing the enemy back. Austria as a fighting factor appears to be finished, though it is doubtful if she is completely done, as is represented. Serbia at present appears to have gained the biggest triumph of all. This small country, to whom, as the German Foreign Minister said to our Ambassador in Berlin at the end of July, Austria had determined to give a lesson, appears to have given the lesson herself to Austria. She has shown her power and her fitness to take a very big position indeed among the Slav nations of the Balkans, if not among the Slavs and Croats who now call themselves Austrians."

"That appears to me to be the general position, and in a war of this kind, with enormously long fronts, the war must be, as I believe Sir John French has called it, a wearing-down process, and there is no question but that in that process Great Britain and France on one side, and Russia on the other, will prevail. It is my firm opinion that Germany is beaten but not finished, and that the vast number of men which she boasts she can still call out are absolutely untrained and are of small fighting value, while our new battalions are improving every day, so that by the spring Great Britain will have an army big enough to deal a knock-down blow to Germany in the west."

"At the same time, the vital issue of the campaign lies with Russia. Molke said that it is very slow in coming, but much too powerful for any other nation when she comes, and, as surely as the tide comes in, the power of Russia is coming to sweep away resistance and to invade Germany. The accounts of the fighting in the east published in Berlin are by no means rosy for the Germans, and although I have heard to-day from an American who has just come from Berlin that things are in a normal state there, that the Germans do not contemplate the possibility of the Russians passing the Vistula, and that they are going to make lines of moderately strong entrenchments in which to hold the Russians—this, I am convinced, is a piece of the usual German brag or blarney; probably both. The Russian accounts of successes at the present time may be a little exaggerated, but they are evident in the main correct, because the Commander-in-Chief has never from the beginning of the war issued a bragging bulletin."

"With regard to the probable length of the war it is impossible for anyone to speak with certainty, but it is clear that the loss of enormous numbers of the German first line troops and reserves, and the necessity of filling their places with very young lads and partially trained elderly men, together with the enormous economic and financial pressure, will make it impossible for Germany to carry on the war for any length of time."

"The war, as was bound to be the case, is progressing very slowly, and it may be that still further sacrifices will be required and that Germany may gain some temporary successes, but not one except German; not even Austrians or Turks; has the slightest doubt as to what the end will be."

[General Sir Alfred Turner was in Hongkong in 1913, and the *Telegraph* published a lengthy interview with him on March 23 of that year.]

## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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## MESSRS. SETNA'S REPORT.

Messrs. S. D. Setna & Co., in their report dated February 11, state:—

Bengal Opium:—No sales are reported in the market. Clearances are reported of about 1 chest of Patna New, and 7 chests of Patna Old, in all about 8 chests. Unsold stock:—84 chests of Patna New, 529 chests of Patna Old, 120 chests of Benares New, and 114 chests of Benares Old, in all about 847 chests. Sold but uncleared stock:—51 chests of Patna New, 63 chests of Patna Old, 18 chests of Benares New, and 33 chests of Benares Old, in all about 170 chests. Reported closing quotations (per chest) are as under:—Patna New \$9,325, Patna Old \$9,200, Benares New \$9,050, Benares Old \$8,950.

Malwa Opium:—No sales are reported in the market. Clearances are reported of about 14 chests. Unsold stock is estimated at about 514 chests, sold but uncleared stock about 213 chests. Reported closing quotations (per picul) are as under:—Malwa \$9,100 to \$9,200.

Cotton:—Sales are reported of about 250 packages at \$25 per picul. Unsold stock is estimated at about 2,500 packages. Closing reported quotations:—\$20 to \$26 (per picul).

Indian Yarn:—A good business is reported in the market of about 8,000 bales, comprising about 50 bales of No. 6s, 3,750 bales of No. 10s, 1,050 bales of No. 12s, 200 bales of No. 16s and 950 bales of No. 20s. Unsold stock is estimated at about 50,000 bales. Sold but uncleared stock is estimated at about 22,000 bales.

Japanese Yarn:—Sales are reported of about 5,000 bales of No. 20s at \$105/116 per bale.

Sundry Articles:—In imports, sales are reported of onions, Bombay (per basket) at \$2, onions S. ngbai at \$9 (per picul), kismia at \$23/25 (per picul), safflower at \$18 1/2 (per picul), agar at \$12/13 (per picul), Bezor stone at \$200/220 (per catty), apricots at \$25 (per picul), borax at \$23 (per picul), bheasole at \$8 (per picul), rosa oil at \$75 (per picul), sandal wood at \$84 (per picul), angkor at \$21/23 (per picul), gum olibanum at \$12/16 (per picul), putchok at \$115 (per picul) and 6 ft maws and fms at \$180/280 (per picul). In exports, purchases are reported in galsagal at \$8 1/4 (per picul), green beans at \$4 1/2 to 5 (per picul), (white beans) at \$4 1/2 to 5 (per picul), broken cassia at \$3 1/2 (per picul), musal stone at \$11/12 (per picul), sugar candy at \$15 1/2 (per picul), cardamum seeds at \$30 (per picul), preserves at \$4/5 (per picul), sugar \$118 (per case), fire-crackers at \$73/74 (per case), and dry ginger at \$12 (per picul).

## CAPTAIN SUED.

In the Summary Court this morning, Messrs. Gande, Price and Co. sued Captain Basilioni of the s.s. American for the sum of \$75.80 for goods sold and delivered.

Mr. Dixon, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the plaintiff, the defendant being unrepresented.

The debt was proved and judgment given for the plaintiffs.

## LEGAL TIT-BITS.

In the Summary Court this morning:—

Mr. Lind:—It is very unsatisfactory to try to get witnesses during Chinese New Year week.

Not Exactly.

His Lordship:—Are you defendant? Mr. Faithfull:—I appear for the defendant.

Discussion Soon Ended.

Mr. Tozer:—Discovery on oath? Mr. Mason:—No discovery. His Lordship:—If you want it on oath you must come in Chambers.

The matter immediately dropped.

A Chinese Lament.

A Plaintiff:—Defendant promised me some money, but I have not accepted yet. I want to go to the country to-day—it is Chinese New Year.

His Lordship:—Mr. Faithfull, I think you had better settle to-day.—(laughter).

Mr. Faithfull:—Very well.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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By Order, A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1915.

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CALCUTTA via S'pore, Penang & Rangoon	Colombo Maru Capt. Sakamoto T. 12,000	MON. 22nd Feb.
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SHANGHAI, Kobe	Rangoon Maru Capt. Nomura T. 12,500	SUNDAY, 21st Feb.
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S'hai and Kobe	Tosa Maru Capt. Takano T. 12,000	WEDNES. 17th Feb.
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NAGASAKI, Kobe & Yokohama	Nikko Maru Capt. Takeda T. 9,600	MON. 15th Mar. at 10 a.m.
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Tikini	JAVA	2nd half Feb.	SHAI	1st half Mar.
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## LOG BOOK.

Searching American Ships for Contraband.  
London, December 30.—Reuter's agency at Washington comments on the report that the United States Government has forwarded to Great Britain a note demanding an early improvement in the treatment of American commerce by the British Navy in respect of the searching and retention of ships in the Atlantic for contraband of war. The United States Government is compelled to ask for definite information in order to take measures to protect American rights, and although American shippers have adopted various British suggestions, the British fleet has not differentiated between absolute and conditional contraband. The note then quotes Lord Salisbury's doctrine regarding foodstuffs shipped to the Transvaal in the Boer War which were held to be contraband only if applied to the enemy's forces. The note further charges Britain with detaining an American copper consignment to Italy while Scandinavian consignments were left unmolested. The burden of proof of contraband must be imposed on belligerents. The note also refers to Britain's high principles in the past in championing the freedom of the sea and makes a protest in a friendly spirit, but considers it best to be frank, lest silence be considered acquiescence in an infringement of American rights. The Washington correspondent of the Daily Telegraph states that President Wilson's sole idea in protesting was to lay a foundation for indemnities at the close of the war. Meanwhile, the correspondent adds, the United States will continue to file protests against each seizure, diversion or detention. The text of President Wilson's note states that Great Britain's present policy exceeds the manifest necessity of a belligerent and constitutes a restriction upon the rights of American citizens on the high seas; it is not justified by rules of international law, nor is it required under the principle of self-preservation. Belligerents ought not to interfere with commerce between neutrals unless there is imperative necessity to protect national safety, and then only to the extent of that necessity. There is increasing belief, doubtless not entirely unjustified, that Britain's present policy towards American trade is responsible for depression in certain American industries dependent upon European markets. The American Ambassador in London (Dr. Page) in a brief covering letter to the President's document assured Sir Edward Grey that America's representations were made in the friendliest spirit.—The Philadelphia Public Ledger states that injury to America's commerce has been inflicted by the secretary for the treasury (Mr. McAdoo) ordering that shipping manifests should not be published until 30 days after the date of sailing. Mr. McAdoo thus made British interference inevitable. It is therefore idle for President Wilson to attack the British Government.

Lloyd's Shipbuilding Returns.  
A statement issued by Lloyd's says that in consequence of the war it is not possible at present to publish the usual information regarding the shipbuilding industry throughout the world. The present returns are therefore confined to merchant ships in course of construction in the United Kingdom. The returns, which only take into account vessels of 100 tons and upwards, the construction of which has actually begun, show that, excluding warships, there were 462 vessels of 1,027,316 tons gross under construction in the United Kingdom at the close of the quarter ended 31st December, 1914. The tonnage now under construction in the United Kingdom is about 96,000 tons less than that which was in hand at the end of last quarter, and about 329,000 tons less than the total building 12 months ago. Of the vessels being built in the United Kingdom at the end of September, 383, of 1,220,091 tons, are under the inspection of the surveyors of Lloyd's Register with a view to classification by this Society.

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YHAMA, Kobe & Moji	Kwongsang	Tues., 16th Feb. at d'light
HAIPHONG	Yatsing	Wed., 17th Feb. at d'light
TIENSIN	Taksang	Thur., 18th Feb. at 8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Cheongsang	Fri., 19th Feb. at d'light
MANILA	Choysang	Fri., 19th Feb. at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE & Penang	Yuensang	Sat., 20th Feb. at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE & Penang	Fooksang	Tues., 23rd Feb. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI, Kobe & Moji	Onsang	Wed., 24th Feb. at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE & Penang	Namsang	Thur., 25th Feb. at d'light
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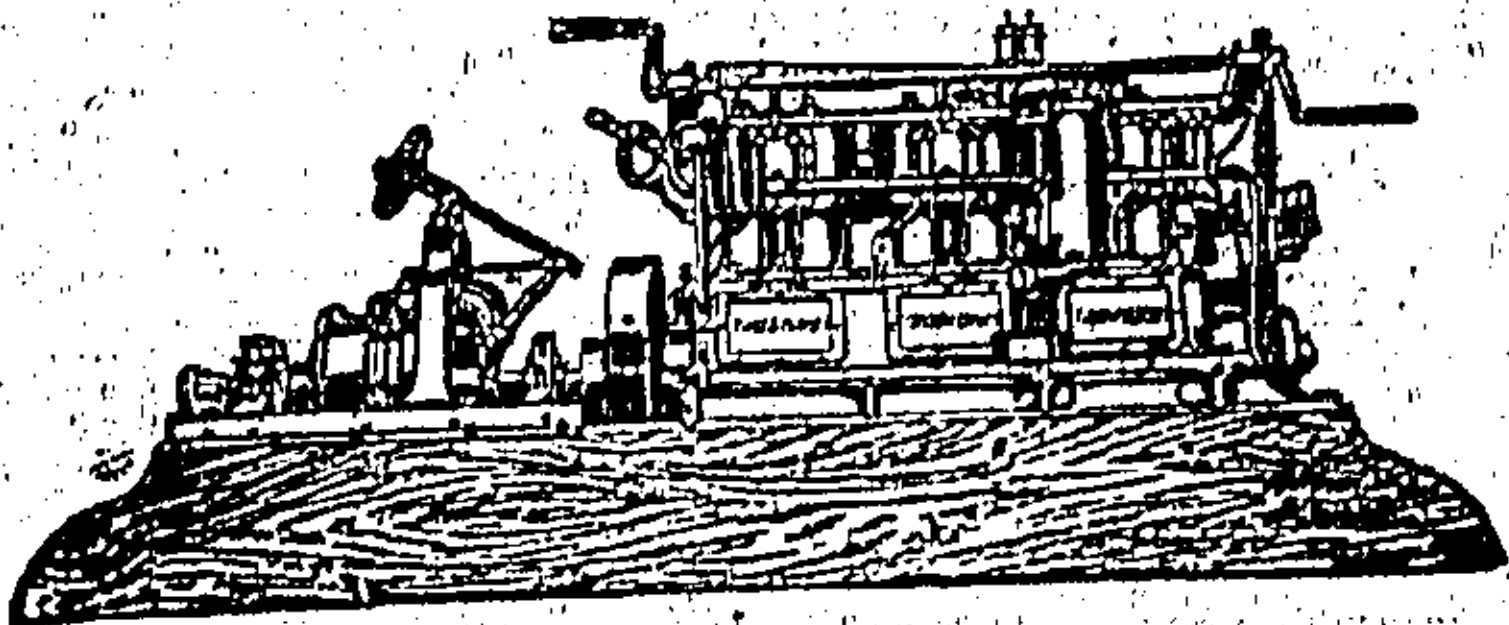
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Yokohama via S'hai & Japan & Shioyo M.	T. K. K.	24, Feb.
New York via Panama	Monteagle	24, Feb.
San Francisco and San Pedro	Royal P.	24, Feb.
San F'co via Manila & Japan & M. S. Dollar	R. D. Co.	1, Mar.
Mexican, Peruvian and Chile	P. M. Co.	2, Mar.
Ports via Japan	Anyo M.	10, Mar.
San F'co via M'la & Japan & Nippon M.	T. K. K.	27, Apr.

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Australian Ports	Aldenhām	G. L. Co.	19, Feb.
Australian Ports via Manila	Taiyuan	B. & S.	32, Feb.

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Shanghai	Shaohsing	B. & S.	14, Feb.
Shanghai	Chenau	B. & S.	14, Feb.
Shanghai & Kobe	Kawachi M.	N. Y. K.	15, Feb.
Bombay via S'pore & Colombo	Jinsen M.	N. Y. K.	16, Feb.
Shanghai & Kobe	Tosa M.	N. Y. K.	17, Feb.
Haiphong	Singan	B. & S.	18, Feb.
Haiphong	Taksang	J. M. Co.	18, Feb.
S'hai, Moji, Kobe and Y'hama	Namur	P. & O.	20, Feb.
Shanghai & Kobe	Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	20, Feb.
Bombay via S'pore, Port S'ham, Penang & Colombo	Hokkai M.	O. S. K.	20, Feb.
Calcutta via Singapore etc.	Colombo M.	N. Y. K.	22, Feb.
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Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Fooksang	J. M. Co.	23, Feb.
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Delagoa Bay, D'ban, E. L'don & Gujarat	B. L.	B. L.	26, Feb.
Singapore, Mauritius & South African Ports	Salamis	B. L. L.	End Feb.
Shanghai	Tjipanas	J.O.J. L.	Q. desp.
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Shanghai	Tjimanoeck	J.O.J. L.	Q. desp.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, etc.	Tjikini	J.O.J. L.	Q. desp.
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The P. M. S. OHINA arrived at San  
Francisco on February 8.

## ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. MALTA left Singapore  
for this Port on the 7th instant evening,  
with the outward English Mail, and is  
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5 p.m.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The T. K. K. S. TENYO MARU will  
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The American and Oriental Line S. S.  
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19th instant.

The M'gul Line S. LENNOX from  
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Anna, Norw. s.s. 1,017, F. Odner, 9th inst.— Haiphong, 6th inst. Rice—T. & Co.	
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# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH. EXTRA

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1915.

## TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAM.

### BRITISH STEAMER'S SMART ESCAPE.

#### SUCCESSFULLY EVADES GERMAN SUBMARINE.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph"]

Feb. 11, 8.10 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Ymuiden reports that the British steamer *Laertes* from Java, when off the Dutch coast, not showing a flag, was challenged by German submarine U.2.

When she was asked to heave to she hoisted the Dutch flag so as to protect the neutral subjects and proceeded, steaming at 16 knots.

She was hit by two shells, but escaped a torpedo and reached Ymuiden by adroit manoeuvring and good stoking.

### A SHARE DEAL.

#### Interesting Summary Court Case.

In the Summary Court, this afternoon, Monce David Silas, by Charles David Silas, his attorney, sued Hugo Charles Ehrenfels for \$175, balance alleged to be due on a share transaction in China Sugar Refining Company shares.

Mr. Heywood (from Mr. Leo D'Almada's office) was for plaintiff, and Mr. Goldring represented defendant.

Mr. Goldring, for the defence, asked that Mr. Ezra should go into the box to put in his pass-book and his cheque counterfoils.

Cross-examined, witness said the only entries relating to the shares were in the pass-book and his cheque counterfoils. There were no other entries in respect of these fifty shares.

Mr. Goldring said he had no intention of pleading the Keswick Ordinance on the Gaming Ordinance. The whole position now resolved into this:—He had maintained throughout that the plaintiff had shown no cause for action and he had taken out a summons for the case to be dismissed on that ground. The documents that he had written to the plaintiff's solicitor, and he was shown, on the eye of the notion being heard, copies of the contracts. He had only seen the counterfoils which he wanted to see to-day and he never heard of Mr. Ezra until he was produced to speak in court. He, Mr. Goldring, had taken out the summons to have the action dismissed, and his Lordship had held there was *prima facie* a claim for money lent. He wrote to the plaintiff's solicitor and said "If you amend, I will pay the money into court." He did not amend and he was going on the fact that the plaintiff did not disclose to him the proper cause for action and on the writ the plaintiff could not succeed.

Mr. Goldring, continuing, said the whole question seemed to him was whether there was *bona fides* or not.

His Lordship:—If you are alleging fraud you should have put it to the witnesses.

Mr. Goldring:—I wanted to put it, most certainly, that it was fraud.

His Lordship:—I took the trouble to put it to you.

Mr. Goldring said that the purchase was a *bona fide* purchase up to a certain point.

His Lordship:—At this date I cannot allow upon to raise fraud. If you wanted to raise fraud you should have put it to Mr. Ezra and Silas.

Mr. Goldring said he had put it. His Lordship said at the last hearing he stopped Mr. Goldring.

### VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Major D. MacDonald state:—

Leave.—Pte. C. H. Buckingham to 12. 2. 16.

Transfer.—No. 1756 Pte. H. H. Scott from D.K.V.K. to Engineer Co., dated 12. 2. 15.

Temporary Commissions.—The following members of the H.K.V.O. have been granted temporary Commissions as Second Lieutenants in the New Service Battalion, dated 12. 2. 15:—

W. D. Barney, U. H. Buckingham.

Parades.—Parades for Saturday, 13th instant, nil.

Guards.—Second half February, Feb. 15 No. 2 Section Artillery, Feb. 16 No. 1 Section Artillery and Left Section M. G. Co., Feb. 17 Centre Section M. G. Co., Feb. 18 Civil Service Company, Feb. 19 Right Section M. G. Co., Feb. 20 Scouts Company, Feb. 21 Scouts Company, Feb. 22 Scouts Company, Feb. 23 No. 2 Section Artillery, Feb. 24 No. 1 Section Artillery and Left Section M. G. Co., Feb. 25 Centre Section M. G. Co., Feb. 26 Civil Service Company, Feb. 27 Right Section M. G. Co., Feb. 28 Scouts Company.

Detail.—Orderly Officer, Lieut. Kennett. Orderly Sergeant, Sergeant Cooper. To furnish Guard to night, Scouts Company; to-morrow, Scouts Company.

Prince of Wales' Fund.

The total amount now subscribed to the Prince of Wales' Fund in Hongkong is \$230,038.68

Italian Grand Opera Co.

We understand that the Italian Grand Opera Company will arrive in the Colony on Sunday by the Japanese mail, and will open on Monday night as advertised. Mr. A. Carli, the business manager, arrived to-day from Manila by the s.s. *Mongolia*.

more than once. "If you are going to allege you must put it and you said you were not alleging fraud."

His Lordship detailed points upon which Mr. Goldring should have asked questions if he were going to allege fraud.

Mr. Goldring:—I don't know whether I am going mad but I am under the impression that I put the questions. I had them on my case for cross-examination and I thought I made them clear.

Continuing, Mr. Goldring urged that the writ, showing no cause for action, the plaintiff should be n. n. suited. Mr. Ehrenfels had not the slightest intention of getting out of what was due from him.

His Lordship:—It was a great pity it was not settled.

Mr. Goldring, in the alternative, submitted that if the writ were amended, he was entitled to costs up to the amended date.

Judgment was reserved.

### HOME SPORT.

#### Billiards and Football Chatter.

[From Our Special Correspondent.]

London, January 8.

George Grey, the young Australian billiard player, has made another fine break of 730, this being the largest so far contributed in the Soho Square tournament, the previous best being the same player's 603 compiled against Smith. Grey's "record" was put up in his second heat against Stevenson, and the latter as a result had no chance of saving the game. The Australian has not been playing with ivory balls for about nine months, and whilst they still often prove troublesome he is gradually overcoming the difficulty set up by the change from composition. Evidence of this is afforded by his breaks of 1,051 and 739, which he has made with ivories this season. He is not, of course, anything like the convincing match-winner he was before he gave up using composition balls, big breaks now coming at much longer intervals, and inasmuch as he suffers in comparison with other leading players in all-round billiards he does not win with the same consistency. Even one of his big contributions does not put him safe, unless perchance it comes at a time when his opponent has not the opportunity of recovering.

A very bad precedent was created in the first match between Grey and Stevenson. Both players were a long way behind their points and there was little prospect of a definite result being reached, so it was decided to add a number of points to the score of each player, the actual number being 507. The fact that all forms of sport at the present time are taking place rather laxly was not a fitting excuse if such practices are resorted to.

There is the usual squabble going on. Reese has issued an open challenge and both the young players Smith and Newman at once accepted. Now Reese makes it a condition of a match with either that he should receive two-thirds of the gate receipts. As these billiard matches are arranged Reese's demand is not unusual. It is a business proposition and very truly Reese says that he would be the drawing power and in consequence is entitled to benefit proportionately.

Football Review.

There is a new Richmond in the field to challenge Oldham for the First League Championship. Led by their fine goal-getting centre forward, Parker, Everton have made an exceptional advance during the past six weeks and though they dropped a point to Tottenham Hotspur on their own ground on New Year's Day they have displaced Manchester City and now rank second. Still, with a match in hand, Oldham are two points to the good and that is a big advantage. Something went wrong with the latter's match-winning schemes against Manchester City and Bolton Wanderers, but there was nothing in either match to suggest that the leaders have lost their deadliness.

The first half of the season has now been completed, and there is a wealth of meaning in the figures showing the losses and gains of the clubs as compared with last season. Oldham have gained eight points, Sheffield Wednesday and Bradford City seven each, and Manchester City, Everton and West Bromwich Albion five each. Chelsea's loss of eleven points is the most conspicuous, whilst Aston Villa and Newcastle United have each dropped seven. Singularly enough these three clubs are the wealthiest in the country.

Second League.

The continued success of Derby County and the advance of Birmingham are the features of the Second League. Huddersfield, with their comparatively sleek

### PATENT MEDICINE CASE.

#### Further Proceedings This Afternoon.

This afternoon, in the Police Court, before Mr. J. R. Wood, Soo Yoo-lun was charged with receiving a number of boxes of "Vivimben" a patent medicine, alleged to have been stolen from Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K. C., appeared for the prosecution, instructed by Mr. M. J. D. Stephens, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, of Messrs. Denny and Bowley, now appeared for the defence.

Another case, in which Charles Chan was the defendant, was mentioned and remanded, Mr. Otto Kong Sing appearing for the defendant.

Further evidence was then taken in the first case.

Lau Wing-fuk said Soo Yoo-lun telephoned to him and said that Chan was very excited. He said Chan had said a man employed in the factory had said he (Chan) had stolen European medicine from Watson's Store and Mr. Nobbs wanted to see Chan at 3 o'clock. Soo Yoo-lun did not know who the man was that had said it. Witness told him to go and see Chan and ask him. Soo said he would, and promised to let witness know. Defendant said he would tell witness after he had seen Chan.

Mr. Jenkin:—Do you remember buying four boxes of these pernicious tablets in October of last year?

His Worship:—Pernicious is very difficult to put to the witness through the interpreter; if you will put it in simple language?

Mr. Jenkin:—Without the emperoidery—I have come in contact with these tablets, so I know—(loud laughter.)

The hearing was adjourned.

resources, are struggling gallantly to keep up, but the Arsenal are not doing well enough in their away engagements. At this stage last season the London club were as many as six points better off and yet they missed promotion. Much will happen during the next four months, but everything points to Derby County returning to the first division of the League. And Derby were one of the Clubs of whom conspicuous success was not expected. They were faced with substantial debts which they were pressed to clear and in order to do this they had to transfer several men. The reserve talent, however, has proved exceptionally strong, and the club have been taken to the top of the table by men who were little known before given the chance to show their merit.

Southern League.

Millwall's performance of going through the first half of the season without suffering defeat on opponents' grounds should rank as a record not only for the Southern League but for League football as a whole. Certainly the feat has never been accomplished since Preston North End were at their zenith, and the hurly-burly of modern football is very different from those early days when the quest for points was not a very serious matter. Only three clubs on their own grounds have done well enough to score against Millwall, these being Brighton, Norwich City and Portsmouth. And yet the London club are not at the head of the table. The fact is a tribute to Reading and a reflection on Millwall's own performances at home, where they have been beaten three times. Curiously enough, Millwall lost their record in their first match in the New Year, falling at Croydon where previously five other clubs had won. The result of this is that they have lost their advantage over Reading, having only one match in hand to represent their rival's lead of two points. Two good wins have brought Watford back into prominence, whilst Brighton refuse to drop very far down the list.

### FOOTBALL.

#### Exhibition Match for the Holiday.

The Hon. Sec. of the Hongkong Football Association has arranged what ought to be a very interesting match for the benefit of holiday-makers next Monday. The contesting teams will be drawn from the second division of the Hongkong League and will represent respectively the Chinese and the Indian element who play for the different clubs, colleges, etc. A great amount of interest has been aroused in anticipating the test, special training has been in force, and two strong sides have been selected. The eleven are as follows:—

Chinese.—Fung Tai (Captain), Pang Kap-yau, Leung Wing-tai, Lam Lu-lan, Cheung Wing-hon, Tong Fuk-tseung, Wong Pak-chung, Kwok Po-kan, Leung Yuk-tong, Shek Pan-sang and Au Kit-sang.

Indian (Islamic F.C.).—M. Y. Abbas (Captain), M. H. Abbas, E. A. Moosdeen, J. M. Dyer, U. Omar, S. Iemal, A. H. Hamid, H. Usuf, W. Bandran, Iqbal Bax and Y. Mahomed.

Of the Chinese, five men come from the Confucians and five from the Lam Liong Club, the other from Queen's College. The eleven Islamics include five Queen's and five St. Joseph's students, Wanchai School providing the other one.

The two Committees are anxious that the Prince of Wales' Fund shall benefit by the match, so it has been decided that all profits shall be sent to swell the local fund. Tickets to admit to the stand are on sale from the Committee at 30 cents each, while the enclosure in front of the stand will be reserved for holders of 20 cents tickets. By this plan a good sum should be available for the Fund. Mr. Eager has been asked to referee the match, which should provide a really keen game.

### FOR THE POOR.

#### Gifts from Hongkong Wesleyans.

For some time past the ladies who form the sewing meeting in connection with the Wesleyan Church have been busy preparing garments for the distressed at Home. Early in November of last year they were able to forward a large box to London, and the annexed letter shows that the efforts were greatly appreciated:—

Dear Mrs. Bone:—We received last night the box of garments from the Mission House, and I have very sincere pleasure in expressing to you and all the kind friends who have helped to fill the box, our sincerest and warmest thanks for your splendid gift for our poor. It is very good of you so far away to think of us, and we greatly appreciate your kind help. Will you please let the ladies know how very grateful we are for the labour of love? We had Christmas as usual amongst our poor, and there was never a time when our work was more needed than at present.

The war has seriously affected our work in many ways, but we are still trying to keep it all a-going. Over 270 men are at the front, either in the Fleet or in the trenches, and many more of our men are out as mine-sweepers on the trade routes. We also have some of the homeless refugees staying here, and others are expected.

Yours very sincerely,  
DAVID HOE.

Last week another and still larger box was sent, and now the ladies are busy preparing for a third. The Superintendent of the P. and O. Company has been kind enough to forward the two cases free of cost, and for this kindness all those personally interested are very grateful.

### NIELSON OR NILSSON.

#### Hongkong German Consul in Peking.

Peking, Feb. 3.

Dr. E. A. Voretzsch, formerly German Consul at Hongkong, is now staying at the Wagon Lits Hotel under the name of A. Nielson. Since the outbreak of the war Dr. Voretzsch has travelled in Annam and arrived in Peking, via Hankow, leaving a trail of mischief behind him.

Dr. Voretzsch leaves for Shanghai to-morrow. It is therefore necessary to warn everyone in China that this man is not the Swedish Consul in Hongkong, Mr. Nilsson, who is also staying at the Wagon Lits Hotel at the present time. Dr. Voretzsch's reason for travelling under a false name can be assumed, but it is worthy of note that his presence in Peking and the maintenance of a false name emphasised that he has the approval of the German Legation. This is a diplomatic scandal which is being widely discussed.

—N. C. Daily News.

Peking, Feb. 6.—Herr Voretzsch registered and has stayed at the Wagon Lits Hotel under the name of A. Nielson. Many mistakes were made between him and the Swedish Consul, Mr. A. Nilsson, which arose entirely from the very suspicious adoption by the former of a name almost identical with that of the Swedish Consul, who was thus exposed to the risk of being blamed for the other's actions.

Herr Voretzsch apparently counted upon the Swedish Consul being still in Hongkong, in which case the false name would probably never have been discovered, for the disclosure arose owing to Reuter's correspondent calling on the Swedish Consul, Mr. A. Nilsson, when his card was taken to the German's room by the hotel boy, who subsequently explained that two Consuls of that name were staying there, one of whom was German and one Swedish.

In answer to further inquiries made by Reuter's correspondent, the boy stated that he knew the last comer to be a German as a letter had arrived for him from the German Legation in the name of Nielson.

Inspection of the hotel card-book then disclosed the slight difference of the names previously reported. Herr Voretzsch has left for Hankow. —Reuter.

SHANGHAI BAITISHER'S DEATH.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Frederick Claude Evans, of Messrs. J. A. B. & Co., which took place at Shanghai on February 3, from pneumonia. After serving in the London office of Messrs. J. A. B. & Co., Mr. Evans came out to the Shanghai branch as assistant in 1900, and soon gained in esteem and popularity. He took a keen interest in the Fire Brigade and was appointed first assistant of Mr. M. H. Loong Company. He also took a leading part in Ragby football, and was a member of the Committee of St. Patrick's Society.

The deceased, who was only twenty-six years of age, was married in September, 1913, to Miss Lloyd, of Shanghai, and the deepest sympathy will be felt for him in this sudden bereavement, as well as for the members of his family in England, his father—a retired Captain in the Royal Navy, his mother and sisters, who were expecting him on home leave in March.

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### THE MISSION TO THE VATICAN.

#### Sir H. Howard's Task.

The Foreign Office issued a White Paper on January 1 containing the following despatch to Sir Henry Howard comprising instructions respecting his mission to the Vatican:—

Foreign Office, December 16, 1914.

Sir—The King has been graciously pleased to appoint you a Special Envoy to his Holiness Pope Benedict XV., for the purpose of congratulating his Holiness on his election to the Papacy, and at the same time of laying before him the motives which compelled his Majesty's Government, after exhausting every effort in their power to preserve the peace of Europe, to intervene in the present war, and of informing him of their attitude towards the various questions that arise therefrom.

Since the beginning of the war his Majesty's Government have done all in their power, through his Majesty's representatives abroad, to remove any misconceptions and misunderstandings from the minds of the Governments of neutral countries as to the course of events which led up to the outbreak of hostilities, and to present, by the circulation of diplomatic documents, the case of the Allied Powers to the unbiased judgment of public opinion in these countries. Such a procedure was not possible in the case of the high authorities of the Roman Catholic Church owing to the want of a representative of his Majesty at the Vatican. You will, therefore, in presenting your letters of credence to his Holiness, and offering him the cordial congratulations of his Majesty the King on the occasion of his election, intimate to him that his Majesty's Government are anxious to put themselves into direct communication with him for the purpose of demonstrating the motives which have governed their attitude since the first moment that the normal relations between the Great Powers of Europe began to be disturbed, and of establishing that his Majesty's Government used every effort to maintain the peace of Europe, which his Holiness's venerated predecessor had so much at heart. You will also be in a position to give his Holiness from time to time exact information of the events which have already occurred and may occur during the period of your mission.—I am, &c.,

(Signed) E. GREY.

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Bottles.

Green and Red Jade Ornaments.  
Old Lacquer Screens with  
5-coloured Decoration and Black-  
wood Screens with Blue & White  
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" Roast, — Shiu	"	19
" Breast, — Ngau Lam	"	16
" Soup, — Tong Yuk	"	22
" Steak, — Ngau Yuk Pa	"	33
" Do., — Sirloin, — Ngau Lau	"	26
" Sausages, — Ngau Cheung	"	12
Ballock's Brains, — No	per set	12
" Tongue, fresh, — Ngau Li	each	50
" Corned, — Ham Ngau Li	"	60
" Head, — Ngau Tau	"	14
" Heart, — Ngau Sum	"	22
" Hump, Salt, — Ngau Kin	"	12
" Feet, — Ngau Keuk	"	12
" Kidneys, — Ngau Yiu	"	20
" Tail, — Ngau Mei	"	13
" Liver, — Ngau Kon	"	6
" Tripe (undressed), — Ngau To	set	120
Calves' Head & Feet, — Ngau-tai-tau-keuk	lb.	26
Mutton Chop, — Yeung Pui Kwat	"	26
" Leg, — Yeung Pui	"	24
" Shoulder, — Yeung Shau	"	27
" Saddle, —	"	27
Pigs' Chittlings, — Chu Chong	per set	14
" Brains, — Chu No	lb.	14
" Feet, — Chu Keuk	"	16
" Fry, — Chu Chap	"	16
" Head, — Chu Tau	"	12
" Heart, — Chu Sum	"	18
" Kidneys, — Chu Yiu	"	18
" Liver, — Chu Kon	"	26
" Pork Chop, — Chu Pui Kwat	"	26
" Corned, — Ham Chu Yuk	"	30
" Leg, — Chu Pui	"	20
" Fat or Lard, — Chu Yau	"	60
Sheep's Head and Feet, — Yeung Tau Keuk	set	12
" Heart, — Yeung Sam	"	12
" Kidneys, — Yeung Yiu	"	27
" Liver, — Yeung Kon	"	22
Smoking Pigs, to order, — Chu Tsai	"	22
Suet, Beef, — Shang Ngau Yau	"	27
" Mutton, — Shang Yeung Yau	"	19
" Veal, — Ngau Tsai Yuk	"	20
" Sausages, — Ngau Tsai Cheung	"	22
" Lard, — Chu Yau	"	22

## POULTRY.

Chicken, — Kai Tsai	lb.	30
Capon, Large, Small, — Sin Kai	"	30
Ducks, — Ap	"	24
Doves, — Pan Kai	"	18
Eggs, Hen, — Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz	24
" Fowls, Canton, — Kai	lb.	34
" Hainan, — Hoi Nam Kai	"	28
" Geese, — Ngo	"	24
Pigeons, Canton, — Pak Kap	each	30
" Hoihow, — Hoi How Pak Kap	"	25
" Snipe, — Sha Tsai	"	23
Turkeys, Cock, — Fo Kai Kung	lb.	65
" Hen, — "	"	45

## FISH.

Barbel, — Ka Yu	lb.	18
Bream, — Pin Yu	"	17
Canton Fresh Water Fish, — Hoi Sin Yu	"	22
Carp, — Li Yu	"	15
Catfish, — Chik Yu	"	16
Codfish, — Man Yu	"	24
Crabs, — Hai	"	18
Cuttle Fish, — Muk Yu	"	14
" Sha Mang Yu	"	15
Dace, — Wong Mei Lap	"	12
Dog Fish, — Ti To Sha	"	13
Eels, Conger, — Hoi Man	"	20
" Fresh water, — Tam Sui Yu	"	32
Eels, Yellow, — Wong Sin	"	33
Frogs, — Tin Kai	"	45
Garoupa, — Shek Pan	"	18
Gudgeon, — Pak Kap Yu	"	25
Herrings, — Tso Pak	"	28
Halibut, — Cheung Kwan Kap	"	20
Labrus, — Wong Fa Yu	"	26
Loach, — Wu Yu	"	30
Lobsters, — Lung Ha	"	20
Mackerel, — Chi Yu	"	32
Monk Fish, — Mong Yu	"	20
Miller, — Chai Yu	"	24
Oysters, — Shang Ho	"	12
Perch, — Tau Lo	"	18
Pike, — Fa Pan Yung	"	14
Plaice, — Pan Yu	"	28
Pomfret, Black, — Hak Chong	"	32
Pomfret, White, — Pak Chong	"	40
Prawns, — Ming Ha	"	12
Ray, — Pai Pa Fha	"	18
Rock Fish, — Shek Kau Kung	"	12
Roach, — Chun Yu	"	35
Salmon, — Ma Yau	"	8
Shark, — Sha Yu	"	24
Skate, — Po Yu	"	32
Shrimps, — Ho	"	32
Snapper, — Lap Yu	"	20
Soles, — Tai Sha Yu	"	20
Tench, — Wan Yu	"	20
Turbot, — Cho, — How Yu	"	64
Turtles, small, fresh water, — Keak Yu	"	64

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Barbel, — Ka Yu	lb.	18
Bream, — Pin Yu	"	17
Canton Fresh Water Fish, — Hoi Sin Yu	"	22
Carp, — Li Yu	"	15
Catfish, — Chik Yu	"	16
Codfish, — Man Yu	"	24
Crabs, — Hai	"	18
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" Sha Mang Yu	"	15
Dace, — Wong Mei Lap	"	12
Dog Fish, — Ti To Sha	"	13
Eels, Conger, — Hoi Man	"	20
" Fresh water, — Tam Sui Yu	"	32
Eels, Yellow, — Wong Sin	"	33
Frogs, — Tin Kai	"	45
Garoupa, — Shek Pan	"	18
Gudgeon, — Pak Kap Yu	"	25
Herrings, — Tso Pak	"	28
Halibut, — Cheung Kwan Kap	"	20
Labrus, — Wong Fa Yu	"	26
Loach, — Wu Yu	"	30
Lobsters, — Lung Ha	"	20
Mackerel, — Chi Yu	"	32
Monk Fish, — Mong Yu	"	20
Miller, — Chai Yu	"	24
Oysters, — Shang Ho	"	12
Perch, — Tau Lo	"	18
Pike, — Fa Pan Yung	"	14
Plaice, — Pan Yu	"	28
Pomfret, Black, — Hak Chong	"	32
Pomfret, White, — Pak Chong	"	40
Prawns, — Ming Ha	"	12
Ray, — Pai Pa Fha	"	18
Rock Fish, — Shek Kau Kung	"	12
Roach, — Chun Yu	"	35
Salmon, — Ma Yau	"	8
Shark, — Sha Yu	"	24
Skate, — Po Yu	"	32
Shrimps, — Ho	"	32
Snapper, — Lap Yu	"	20
Soles, — Tai Sha Yu	"	20
Tench, — Wan Yu	"	20
Turbot, — Cho, — How Yu	"	64
Turtles, small, fresh water, — Keak Yu	"	64

## FRUITS.

Almonds, — Bang Yan	lb.	35
Apples, (California) — Kam Shan Ping Kho	"	18
" (Chetoo) — Tie Chun Ping Kho	"	18
" Small, — Hoi Tong	"	18
Bananas, fragrant, Canton, — San Shing Heung Chia	lb.	8
" (Indes), Macao, — San Heung Chia	"	8
Chestnuts, Chinese, — Fong Lai	"	15

## MEAT.

Carambola, — Yeung To	each	10
Coconuts, — Ye Tse	each	3
Grapes, — Po Tai Tse	lb.	3
Lemons, China, — Ling Mung	"	10
" America, — Kam Shan Ling Mung	"	16
Lichess Dried, — Lai Chi, small Stone	"	30
" Fresh, —	"	30
Oranges, (Canton), — Shan-shang Tim Ching	lb.	10
" Sweet, —	"	10
Pears, (American), — Kiu San Shoot Lay	"	10
" (Canton), Cooking, — She Li	"	10
Peanuts, — Fa Shang	"	10
Persimmons Large, — Hung Tse	"	8
Pine-apples, 1st quality, — Fun Ti Po Lo	each	1
" 2nd, — Chung-tang Po Lo	"	1
Plantain, — Tai Chiu	lb.	3
Plums, — Swatow, Hung Lai	"	15
Pumelo, Siam, — Chim Lo Yau	each	15
" Shanghai, — Lo Kwai	"	15
Walnuts, — Hop To	lb.	15
" Green, — Sang Hop Tao	"	15
Water Melon, — (Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each	1

## VEGETABLES, &amp;c.

Artichokes, Shanghai, —Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb	—
Chenck	..	..
Beans, (French), Macao, —Oh Moou Pin Tau	..	..
(French) Shanghai, —Sheung Hai Pin	..	..
" Sprout, —Ah Choi	..	8
" Long, —Tau Kok	..	10
Beet Root, —Hung Choi Tau	..	each 8
Bitter Squash, —Fu Kwa	..	8
Brijais, Green, —Ohing Yuan Kwa	..	8
" Red, —Hung Ke	..	6
Cabbage, Chinese, (common), —Kai Tsai	..	10
Cabbage, Shanghai, —Ye Tsai	..	14
Cane Shoots, bunch, —Kau Shan	..	lb. 8
Carrots, —Kam Shan	..	12
Celery, Chinese, —Tong Kan Tsai	..	12
Chillies Dried, —Kon Lap Chiu	..	30
" Red, —Hung Fa Chin	..	18
" Green, —Ching Lap Chin	..	12
Curry Stuff, English, —Ka Li Ohn Liu	..	10
Cucumbers, —Ching Kwa	..	each 2
Garlic, —Sun Tau	..	lb 8
Ginger, young, —Sun Tse Keung	..	6
" old, —Lo Keung	..	8
Horse Radish, Shanghai, —Lik Kan	..	15
Indian Corn, —Suk Mai	..	each 5
Lettuce, —Yeung Shang Tsai	..	12
Water Chestnuts, —Ma Tai	..	lb. 6



## ENTERTAINMENTS

## NOTICE.

CHIEF OFFICE FOR SOUTH CHINA, DES VŒUX ROAD, (POWELL'S BLDG.).

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## Commercial.

# SHARE REPORT.

## COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

S.—SELLERS SA.—SALES B.—BUYERS N.—NOMINAL

STOCK.	To-day's Closing Prices	Number of Shares	Par. Value	Paid Up	1914. Highest	1914. Lowest	1915. Highest, 4th Feb. to now	1915. Lowest, 4th Feb. to now	Last Divid and Date
Banks.									
H'kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	\$810 ea. £71	12,000	\$125	all	855	July, 700	Oct. 825	810	{ £2.37 at ex. 1/10/14 equal to \$22.80 for 1/2 year ending 30/6/14
Marine Insurances.									
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	247 1/2	10,000	\$50	50	350	Dec. 305	Oct. 347 1/2	342 1/2	{ Final of \$3 a/c 1912. Interim of \$18 a/c 1913.
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	1160	10,000	£15	5	145	May 133	Jan. 160	160	{ Final of 10 p.c. making 20 p.c. for 1912
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	820	2,400	\$250	100	847 1/2	April 700	Oct. 820	825	{ Final of \$20 making \$50 for 1912 and Interim of \$30 for 1913
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	\$225	12,000	\$100	60	20	April 192 1/2	Jan. 225	215	{ Final of \$12 mak. \$15 for 1912 & Int. of \$3 for 1913
Fire Insurances.									
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$150	20,000	\$100	20	160	July 140	Oct. 150	150	{ \$10 for 1912
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$395	8,000	\$250	50	355	Feb. 368	April 395	390	{ \$27 for 1912
Shipping.									
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$86	30,000	\$25	all	10	Jan. 5 1/2	Dec. 6	6	{ \$1 for 1906
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$19	20,000	\$50	all	36	Mar. 27 1/2	Nov. 29	29	{ \$3 for year ending 30/6/14
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$10	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/2	Jan. 23	Dec. 20	19	{ Final of 49 cts. making 90 cts. for year ending 31/12/14
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	\$66	60,000	\$5	all	79	Jan. 50	Sept. 66	66	{ Final of 3% m'king 6% on preferred shares & 5% on deferred shares for year 1913
Shell T'port & Trading Co., Ltd.	\$80	3,297,510	£1	all	106 1/2	Feb. 70	Sept. 80	80	{ Interim of 1/4 a/c 1915 C. No. 23
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	\$57	40,000	\$10	all	49	Mar. 40	Nov. 37	37	{ \$1.70 per share and bonus of 30 cents per share for year ending 30/4/14
Refineries.									
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$93	20,000	\$100	all	96 1/2	Feb. 70	Nov. 98	93	{ \$3 for 1912
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$16	7,000	\$100	all	31	Jan. 17	Dec. 16	14 1/2	{ \$3 for 1897
Mining.									
Kailan Mining Administration	32 1/2	1,000,000	£1	all	41 1/2	Feb. 33 1/2	Dec. 32 1/2	32 1/2	{ Final of 5% Coupon No. 4 making 10% for year ending 30/6/14
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	\$3.10	200,000	£1	all	3.10	Jan. 1.90	Nov. 3.10	3	{ 1/2 for 1909
Tronoh Mines Ltd.	25 1/2	160,000	£1	all	39 1/2	Feb. 19 1/2	Nov. 25 1/2	25 1/2	{ 1/4 mak. 7/6 a/c 1913
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.									
Hongkong & W.P. & G. Co., Ltd.	\$69	60,000	\$50	all	89	Jan. 73	Nov. 69	69	{ \$3.50 for year 1913
H'kong & W.P. & G. Co., Ltd.	\$57	50,000	\$50	all	77	Jan. 53	Oct. 57 1/2	57 1/2	{ \$3 dividend for year 1913
Sh'hai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	\$51	55,700	\$100	all	60	July 50	Dec. 51	51	{ Tls. 5 for 1913
Sh'hai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.	\$91	66,000	\$100	all	109	Jan. 82 1/2	Dec. 91	91	{ Interim of Tls 3 for 1913
Land, Hotels and Buildings.									
Anglo French Lands	\$124	25,000	\$100	all	128	July 120	Dec. 124	124	{ Tls. 6 on 29.2.10.
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$124	12,000	\$50	25	128	July 120	Dec. 124	124	{ \$3.50 for half year ending 30/6/14
H'kong Land Investment Co.	\$110	50,000	\$100	all	117 1/2	July 98	Nov. 110	110	{ \$3 for year ending 31/12/14
H'kong Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	\$74	150,000	\$10	all	94	Jan. 7	Nov. 74	74	{ 50 cents for 1913
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	\$41	60,000	\$50	all	45 1/2	Jan. 44	Feb. 41	41	{ \$3 for 1914
Shanghai Lands	\$101	78,000	\$50	all	98	Dec. 89	Oct. 101	101	{ Interim of 5 p.c. for year end'g 30.6.13
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$68 1/2	12,500	\$50	all	73	June 66	Feb. 68 1/2	68 1/2	{ \$2.25 for half year ending 31.12.14
H'kong Central Estates	\$95	10,000	\$100	all	95	—	—	95	{ \$4.09 for 7 months ending 31.12.14
Cotton Mills.									
Exo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	\$131	20,000	\$50	all	138	July 125	May 131	130	{ Tls. 12 for year ending 31/10/14
H'kong Cotton Co.	\$6.10	125,000	\$10	all	83 1/2	Mar. 7	June 6.10	6	{ 50 cents 31/7/08
Kung Yik	\$134	75,000	\$10	all	144	Jan. 11	Mar. 11 1/2	11 1/2	{ Tls. 1.20 for year ending 30/11/14
Laon Kung Mow	\$72	8,000	\$100	all	110	Feb. 70	May 72	72	{ Tls. 12 for 1913
Shanghai Cottons	\$184	40,000	\$50	all	135	Feb. 70	Nov. 84	84	{ Tls. 10 for year ending 30/6/13
Miscellaneous.									
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	\$11	50,000	\$10	all	12	May 10	Dec. 11	11	{ \$1.20 for 1913
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$4	50,000	\$5	all	4.90	July 4	April 4	4	{ 6% for year ending 28.2.06
Do. (Spec. shares)	7.95	50,000	\$1	all	9	Jan. 7	Nov. 7.95	7.95	{ 70 cts. for 1913.
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	\$35	200,000	\$10	all	39	June 35	Aug. 35	35	{ \$1.50 for year ending 31/7/14
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	\$35	400,000	\$10	all	6.90	Jan. 5	Dec. 5 1/2	5 1/2	{ 40 cts. for 1911.
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$52	90,000	\$10	all	49	Jan. 36	Nov. 40	37	{ \$1.80 per share for 1913
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$140	50,000	\$25	all	217 1/2	July 174	Dec. 190	190	{ Interim of \$2 1/2 a/c 1914
Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.	\$190	60,000	\$10	all	25	June 22	Apr. 25	25	{ \$2 for 1913
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	\$25	325,000	\$5	all	13 1/2	July 7	Feb. 5 1/2	5 1/2	{ Final div. of 6d. making 7d. per share for 1913
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	\$5.10	250,000	\$10	all	64 1/2	Mar. 28	Dec. 40	40	{ Interim of T. 1 making T. 2 a/c 1913
Langkats	\$40	25,000	\$10	all	10 1/2	Jan. 9 1/2	June 10	10	{ 80 cts. on fully paid shares and 8 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.14
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	\$10	50,000	\$10	all	93	Jan. 75	Dec. 91	91	{ None
Do. (New)	\$1	75,000	\$10	all	10	—	—	5	{ \$1.50 for 1910.
Philippines Ld.	\$5	13,200	\$50	all	5.00	June 4	Nov. 4	4	{ 35 cts. for year ending 31/5/14
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	\$6	20,000	\$5	all	22 1/2	Feb. 17	Jan. 18	17	{ \$1.00, per share for year ending 31.12.14
Societes des Pulpes et Papier-teries du Tonkin	\$20	20,000	\$5	all	8 1/2	April 6.90	Dec. 7	7	{ 70 cts. for 1913
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	\$4	90,000	\$10	all	9 1/2	Jan. 6 1/2	Dec. 6 1/2	6 1/2	{ 50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new year shares for year ending 30.6.14
Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	\$17	2,1000	\$7	all	9 1/2	Jan. 6 1/2	Dec. 6 1/2	6 1/2	{ \$1. Interim a/c year 31.8.14
Watson and Co., Ltd.	\$7	6,000	\$25	all	30	June 29	Dec. 29	29	{
William Powell, Limited.	\$6 1/2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
S. C. Morning Post	\$129	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

WRIGHT &amp; HORNBY.

Share and General Brokers.

6, Des Voeux Road Central Tel. address. Rectitude.

CORRECTED TO NOON FEB. 12, 1915.

THE TELEGRAPH DOES NOT HOLD ITSELF RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE QUOTATIONS.

## EXCHANGE.

February 12th.

Selling	
T/T .....	1/9 1/4
Demand .....	1/9 3/16
30 d/s .....	1/9 1/4
60 d/s .....	1/9 5/16
4 m/s .....	1/9 3/4
T/T Shanghai .....	78
Private 30 d/s sight	75 1/2
T/T Singapore .....	87
T/T Japan .....	87
T/T India .....	132 1/2

Demand India .....	132 1/2
T/T Bombay .....	221
Demand Bombay .....	132 1/2
T/T Calcutta .....	132 1/2
Demand Calcutta .....	132 1/2
T/T Shanghai .....	78 1/4
T/T San F'co & N.Y. 42 7/8	42 7/8
Demand, New York 42 7/8	42 7/8
T/T Java .....	107
T/T Marks .....	Nom.
Demand Germany .....	Nom.

T/T France .....	221
Demand Paris .....	221 1/2
On Haiphong .....	6 1/2% prem
On Saigon .....	6 1/2%
On Bangkok .....	8 1/2%
Buying.	
4 m/s L/C .....	1/9 3/4
4 m/s D/P .....	1/10
6 m/s L/C .....	1/10 1/4
30 d/s S'ney & M. .....	1/10 1/4
30 d/s San F'co & N.Y. 44 1/2	44 1/2
4 m/s Marks .....	Nom.
4 m/s France .....	232
6 m/s do .....	237

Gold Leaf portael ..	\$57.90
Sovereign .....	\$11.10
Bar Silver ready .....	22 11/16
forward ..	

## SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Discount per \$100:	
Chinese .....	20 cts. pieces
Chinese .....	10 cts. pieces
Hongkong .....	20 cts. pieces
Hongkong .....	10 cts. pieces

## BANKS

## INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE:  
60, Wall Street, New York.  
LONDON OFFICE:  
36, Bishopsgate, E.C.  
BRANCHES:

BOMBAY, LONDON,  
CALCUTTA, MANILA,  
CANTON, PANAMA,  
CEBU, PEKING,  
COLON, SAN FRANCISCO,  
HANKOW, SHANGHAI,  
HONGKONG, SINGAPORE,  
KOBE, YOKOHAMA.

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$3,250,000  
RESERVE FUNDS.....4,060,000

(U.S. Gold) \$7,310,000  
All kinds of FOREIGN & LOCAL BANKING BUSINESS transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received at rates to be ascertained on application.

N. S. MARSHALL,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 22nd Oct. 1914

## THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

Established 1880.  
Authorized Capital Yen 48,000,000  
Paid-up Capital .. 30,000,000  
Reserve Fund .. 19,250,000

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches:  
Amoy, Canton, Hankow, Harbin, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Shanghai, Tientsin, Yokohama.  
Agencies at:  
Beijing, New York, San Francisco, Shanghai, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Interest Allowed on Current Account.  
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be ascertained on application.

EISHI ONO, Manager.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1914.

## NOTICES.

## THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

(Capital Paid up...\$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.  
Goods received on Storage.  
Advances made on Merchandise.  
Loans made on the Provident System.

(Rates and Particulars on application)  
The Office of  
TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF  
WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c.,  
Undertaken and Executed.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 19th March, 1908

## PEAK TRAMWAY CO LIMITED.

## TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.  
7.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M. Every 15 Min.  
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NIGHT CARS.  
8.00 P.M. and 9.00 P.M. to 1.00 A.M. every half hour.  
1.00 A.M. to 8.00 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

SUNDAYS.  
7.45 A.M. to 1.00 P.M. Every 15 Min.  
1.00 P.M. to 7.00 P.M. Every 15 Min.  
7.00 P.M. to 1.00 A.M. Every 15 Min.  
1.00 A.M. to 7.00 P.M. Every 15 Min.  
7.00 P.M. to 1.00 A.M. Every 15 Min.  
1.00 A.M. to 7.00 P.M. Every 15 Min.

SATURDAY.  
Extra Car at 11 midnight.  
SPECIAL CARS  
By Arrangement at the Company's Office,  
Alexandra Building,  
Des Voeux Road.

## NEW MACAO HOTEL.

## NOTICE.

Take notice that on and after the 1st day of February, 1915, the management of the above Hotel will be carried on by L. W. Mak in place of O. C. Moosa, and all future correspondence and orders must be signed by the said L. W. Mak.

NEW MACAO HOTEL,  
Macao.  
Macao, 1st February, 1915.

## BANKS

## HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital .....

RESERVE FUNDS:  
Sterling .....

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:  
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.

For 6 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.

N. J. STABB,  
Chief Manager.

## HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer their option balances of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,  
N. J. STABB,  
Chief Manager

## THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital .....

Subscribed .....

Paid Up .....

Reserve Fund .....

BANKERS:  
Bank of England,  
London Joint Stock Bank,  
Limited.

Every description of Exchange business transacted.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

A. R. LINTON,  
Manager.

## THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE.—LONDON.  
Paid-up Capital .....

Reserve Fund .....

Reserve Liability of Proprietors .....

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

Wm. DICKSON,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912.

## OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

Dec. 19

Malwa, New .....

Malwa, Old .....

Patna, New .....

Patna, Old .....

Benares, New .....

Benares, Old .....

## THE ALEXANDRA CAFE



